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THOMPSON'S WEEKLY REVIEW

GRIMKE, FORTUNE AND MRS. CLIFFORD ON RACE UNITY

UNION OF FORCES MUCH NEEDED

Principles, Rather than Men the Final Test of Allegiance—The Cabinet Idea Logical Point For Beginning of Concentrated Effort.

(STAFF CORRESPONDENCE.)

Whether there is such a force as telepathy, I will not undertake to say, nor do I assert that great minds always run in similar channels; but it is a coincidence worthy of more than passing note that in three leading race papers of last week, three staff correspondents, without the slightest indication of collusion, chose for their text the urgent necessity of a closer union among the organizations and leaders of thought now engaged along their several lines in the solution of the many sided race problem. That the situation has reached a critical stage, no one who follows the issues day by day will deny, and to the men and women who who have the real interest of the race at heart, the acute divisions and antagonisms that have developed among some of the most capable factors in our work, present a prospect not at all promising. By many of them it is viewed with positive dismay. The fact that we are today suffering almost as grieviously from internal dissensions as from external aggressions, is apparent to the nation, and the wisest ones of the race are practically agreed that the only remedy lies in finding a common ground upon which the constructive agencies may meet and work in harmony. How and where can this basis of agreement be reached? This is the burden of the song of the three contributors, and their plea for unity is echoed by the best papers and the most powerful pulpits in the land. Something must be done—and quickly, too.

Mr. Archibald H. Grimke, the valued correspondent of The New York Age, discusses the scientific aspects of race leadership, drawing a fine line of distinction between the true leader and the false, and analyzes nicely the three groups which make up the active elements of the Negro people. Of these race groups, Mr. Grimke says:

"We have the industrial education group, the higher education group, and the political rights group. Each group has selected for its own private use a separate way to reach the best welfare of the race. The three are devoted to one common cause—race freedom and progress—but aim to reach the same destination by different paths."

After describing the plan of campaign emphasized by each group and finding that all are traveling within hailing distance toward the same grand goal, Mr. Grimke very pertinently asks:

"Why, therefore, should the industrial group say to the other two groups, you are wholly wrong because your feet are not on our trail? Or higher education group say as much to the others? Or the equal political rights group cry back at the other two groups this narrowness and intolerance? Why may not the three groups form one grand army to fight the common enemy, instead of fighting one another? With the equal political rights group forming the center of such an army and the education groups forming the powerful wings, what great things would be eventually beyond the reach of such an invincible army of invasion and occupation? But the leadership of such an army will not fall to any man, however able, whose word is Division, who is a fomenter of race strife. It will fall to the man rather whose word is Union, who is a healer of differences within the race; to the man who is big enough and broad enough and wise enough to invent some plan comprehensive enough to include all that is essential in each of the three groups, and so to bring about their union in one mighty organization. Can this thing be done? We think it can, and that, therefore, some day it will be done."

Mr. T. Thomas Fortune, commenting favorably upon Mr. Grimke's article, pays his respects pretty sharply to the "race marplots," who have resisted all overtures for peace, even when allowed to dictate the terms, and who have repudiated pledges made in conference, and who have shown themselves bent only upon the advancement of their personal interests, as proven by their broken faith and scandalous criminality of conduct. Mr. Fortune is for harmony, nevertheless, and expresses himself as willing to make another effort to get together with the discordant elements and to devise some common ground upon which the safety of the race may be conserved. Concluding an able editorial, he says:

"We want union, not division; but we want it on a basis of principles, not of men. The group people have shown that they want the reverse of this. Are they ready for a union on the basis of principles? If so, they can get it."

This is plain talk and narrows the issue to a point where an equally plain answer can be given. We have had too much to say about men and too little about fundamental principles. After all, the ascendancy of this man or that, is of a small consequence, except in so far as he stands for the primary purposes of racial endeavor—sensible education, full citizenship and material acquisition. The emphasis for the future must be placed upon principles, and the men must conform to them, or be broken upon the wheel. There can be no effective union upon any other basis.

Now comes Mrs. Carrie W. Clifford, Ohio's energetic worker among the women, who offers another plan of campaign, which if not wholly feasible at this moment, gives the race managers a very definite idea to think about as a final substitute for organic union, should the plan outlined by Mr. Grimke and Mr. Fortune fail. Says Mr. Clifford at the outset:

"The Negro problem is so complex, so manysided and altogether so important that it must be considered from every view-point and every available means or agency must be employed to aid in its solution. No one idea, no onesided effort, no one organization can accomplish a task at once so gigantic, so formidable, so imperative. For this reason, I believe in any movement league, council or federation designed to ameliorate the condition of the colored American and to gain for him 'a square deal.'"

Mrs Clifford voices her firm belief in the utility of the National Negro Business League, sees the need of all of the various schools, colleges and universities, endorses the purposes of the National Afro American Council and the avowed intents of the Niagara Movement, notes the uplifting influence of the churches and is in hearty sympathy with the uplifting labors of the National Association of Colored Women. "Instead, therefore, of disparaging, criticising or 'knocking' any means leading to the desired end, or wasting any time, strength or influence fighting the other fellow's propaganda, all the strength of the each movement should be exerted toward pushing that particular endeavor to its fullest fruition. Let us learn a lesson from the United States Government: here are represented nine departments, each presided over by a head. Each of these officers has his distinct territory or field of operations; each has a specific duty to perform. The work of each differs radically from the work of the others, yet all are necessary to the welfare of the government and working harmoniously for the good of the whole. So it should be with the various Negro organizations! The line of effort of each is as separate as the fingers, yet one as the hand in all matters of vital importance to the race. The watchword should be harmony, co-operation, unity."

Mrs. Clifford gets down to her plan—a most comprehensive one, too, when the masses come to think of it. She advises the formation of a "Supreme Federation of National Negro Organizations" that shall comprise all Negro bodies national in scope. A cabinet or advisory board should consist of the presiding officers of the different organizations. The cabinet should elect a chairman who should be some person not a member thereof, and needless to say, impartial and non-partisan. With Mrs. J. Silone Yates, representing the National Association of Colored Women; Mrs. Ida Wells Barnett, the Anti-Lynching League; Bishop Alexander Walters, the National Afro-American Council; Cyrus Field Adams, the National Negro Press Association; Dr. W. E. B. DuBois, the Niagara Movement; Dr. Booker T. Washington, the National Negro Business League; besides the representatives from the Educational Association; one representative from the secret societies and one representative for the churches, it would appear that the different interests of the race would be fairly well guarded, preserved and protected. Such an organization, with each of its departments working assiduously in its particular field, would symbolize the full meaning of organized effort and present to the common foe—race prejudice—an invulnerable front."

Your humble correspondent was likewise a contributor to this symposium on united effort, arguing as best I could for concentration of forces, to the end that no strength be lost through internal friction, and that the cost of production would be materially lessened by combining, as the corporations do, the several homogeneous plants into a single establishment. Much of opposition and personal bitterness could be done away with by a coming together in a spirit of frankness of all the forces laboring along similar lines, and through such an understanding the expense of so many conventions could be saved for practical purposes, and the time devoted to endless debate would be better spent in carrying out the objects agreed upon at one general convention that would cover the entire ground now plowed over by a half-dozen bodies, whose vitality is exhausted in puerile questions of plan and leadership, petty jealousies and selfish strivings for personal gain. It is not probable that a complete federation or organic union can be effected for a long time to come, as there is such a mountain of old straw to be threshed over and a myriad of bitterness to be healed before a final agreement can be reached; but it is possible for movements that avow a single purpose, to coalesce at once. If the leaders of the Afro-American Council and the leaders of the Niagara Movement are perfectly sincere—and I have no right to question their loyalty to their expressed principles, there is no reason why the two organizations should not be merged in the twinkling of an eye. This could be done as a starter—as an earnest of the race's capacity for the conservation of power and their ability to place principles above persons, in the interest of the whole people. After that, the several women's federations could get together under one banner, and by and by the various brands of Baptists and Methodists could follow suit. The first step toward permanent union, as I see it, is a grand sorting out of homogeneous elements—a bringing together of the movements that present no radical differences in discipline or doctrine—then will come in logical sequence, the bodies that differ in purpose, but which are sympathetic in the work of race advancement. In any event, whether fruit comes at once or not, the potent and convincing pleas of such splendid reasoners as Messrs. Fortune and Grimke and Mrs. Clifford are making for harmony more rapidly than even the most discerning of us can see at this distance.

The spirit of combination is in the air The race cannot forever resist the forces of fate.

The rumor that Hon. W. F. Powell, Minister to Haiti, is to resign, has set the politicians all agog. A denial follows the associated press report and Mr. Powell's resignation is not yet in the hands of the President, but it is pretty well understood that there is to be a change soon, and the aspirants are anxious to get into line. No intimation as to the discussion can be had at the State Department, but there are prophets who do not hesitate to prophesy. Some say the new minister will be John S. Durham, who was there under President Harrison, and others connect the name of Former Governor Pinchback with the place. The Kansas people say that the President has an excellent opportunity to suitably reward Dr. W. T. Vernon, who is booked for honorable recognition because of his arduous labors in the last campaign. As it seems likely that Register Lyons is to hold on, the friends of Dr. Vernon are casting very wistful eyes toward the court of Port-au-Prince.

R. W. THOMPSON.

ANOTHER BLOW.

A few more shots like those will soon put him out of business.

AN APPEAL FOR AID.

A Cry that Shoud be Heeded--Yellow Fever Exists in Vickrburg.

[Special to The Freeman.]

Vicksburg, Miss., Sept 14—Vicksburg, with 22,000 people, about 12,000 of whom are colored, and most of this number belong to the working class, is locked up in a quarantine. Large numbers of her colored population are engaged in domestic service, and a still larger number depend for a livelihood upon work on the farms in the vicinity of this city. For fifteen days this city has been and for the next forty days certainly will be surrounded by quarantine guards who allow no one to pass out. The only way to get out of the city now is on a through train with a ticket as far north as Chicago. The attempt to stop at any Mississippi point would, in many instances, mean death.

The large numbers of the people who employ servants left some time ago. Many of the enterprises have had to shut down on account of the fact that the people who are engaged in running them have left the city. The cotton fields in which these laborers usually make their living in the fall and winter are waiting for them, but it is death to attempt to get out to them. A very serious situation confronts more than one-half of the laboring classes in the city and its environments. Local effort has been largely taxed in employing them to clean up, oil and fumigate, and little or nothing can be expected, except from abroad. The cotton upon which all life depends cannot be harvested or brought to market and thus one calamity has brought another.

We appeal to you to do what you can to assist these unfortunates. The members of the committee named below, composed of representative men in all walks of life including all he fraternities and denominations, give personal assurance that every cent contributed will be devoted to the relief of distress, and all contributions will be publicly acknowledged through the press of the country. Your contributions can be sent to Mr. H. L. Slaughter, who is the treasurer of the committee. Mr. Slaughter is cashier of the Lincoln Savings Bank, the oldest establishment of its kind south of the Ohio river.

Respectfully,
J. M. BLOWE, Secretary.
W. E. MOLLISON, Chairman.

AN ADDRESS TO THE PEOPLE

THE ANNUAL MESSAGE OF THE AFRO-AMERICAN COUNCIL

GREAT NEED FOR CLOSER UNION

Basis of Southern Representation Contrary to Fundamental Law—Increased Interest in Industrial Education and Higher Education Needed.

In common with the millions of our fellow citizens, we desire to express our gratification at the prosperity of the Republic, which is felt in all the pulses of its various life; at the reunition of sentiment loyal to the flag, the emblem of the largest freedom and the largest happiness of any people since the eagles of Rome overspread the globe, and at the splendid efforts of our president, in conjunction with the great powers, to preserve the peace of the world.

It is a reasonable conclusion that the reanimation of national sentiment outgrowing from the acrimonies of a great civil war has wrought for national well being, and will continue to do so, and that in the development of this sentiment, aided by time, the school and the church, together with a persistent and a judicious, contention for equal and exact justice in all of the relations of life, wrongs rooted in the conditions of slavery will be gradually supplanted by the acceptance of those fundamental rights which inhere in the citizen and are assured to all alike by the constitution of the Republic; for we have faith to believe that the spirit of God controls and directs the tendencies of this nation towards the highest and best in the co-operation of men for self-government and self-help.

As in all the past history of the Republic the Afro-American people have borne a conspicuous part in developing the incomparable resources in field and factory, and mine, and in preserving its integrity by deathless valor in the army and navy in every war waged from Bunker's Hill to San Juan Hill, thus making for themselves a common heritage in the life of the Republic so do we cheerfully look forward to a common effort of labor and sacrifice in the further growth of the Republic in wealth and moral worth, and in prestige among the nations of the earth. We feel that we are part and parcel of the American people in thought and effort and aspiration, and that what benefits them benefits us, and that what injures them injures us. We therefore ask for justice and fair play under the laws as a legal right, and for an "open door of opportunity" in the effort we are making for moral, social and material betterment as a common right which cannot be witheld from us without injury to the whole American people. A reunition of national sentiment which does not include the Afro-American people will prove in the end as much of a delusion and a snare as the long and acrimonious effort to keep the nation half free and half slave,

(1) It is a noticeable fact that although there have been several aggravated cases of lynch law in the immediate past, there has been an appreciable falling off in the prevalence of this demoralizing species of lawlessness, This has been brought about in large part by the agitation set on foot by the Council and by a recognition of the fact by the public sentiment of the country, and especially of the south that such criminal disorders not only reflect great discredit upon the Republic in the estimation of thoughtful mankind throughout the world, but steadily undermine the foundations of social order, in so far that government by law must ultimately give place to government by individual license. It is proper and fair that acknowledgment of the fact be made that many of the strong newspapers, preachers and educators, governors and judges of state and federal courts have done much during the past year to create a healthier public sentiment with regard to mob lawlessness. While we relax nothing of our efforts to hasten the the consummation of a result so much to be desired, we express the hope that the time is at hand when lawful authority shall be respected in all parts of the land by all the people, and that the more general respect for the law may lead to a decrease of all crime and the realization of that equality of right which is the heritage of every citizen of the United States.

(2) We urge the Afro-American people everywhere to a closer union among them-

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Pearl Moppin is with the Frank Mahara Minstrels and sends best wishes to the Rabbit Foot Company.

Notes from the Chicago Amusement Enterprise.—Business is still good and everybody is satisfied. Nichols' Ragtime Opera is sending them out screaming as usual; Simon Jones is taking the house with his rough and tumble song and dance. John Wilson is making a hit with his old man's turn, and singing "Shame on You" with success. Hamp Harper is doing his part as leader of the orchestra, and Charles Smith as stage manager. Rhea Edwards is singing, "That'll Help Some" with great success. The Glyn Cornet Band of Brunswick, Ga., is still making a hit under the leadership of Profs. Godfrey and Timmons. Simon Jones would like to hear from Phillip Giles, and Hamp Hamper from "Kid" Wade.

Joe A. Hagaman writes from the Barkout Plantation Company.—I have just joined them at Steubenville, O., and I find it the most legitimate plantation I ever saw. It is doing a good business and is an exceptionally strong company. Lee Henderson and Albert Smith, principal comedians are very good; Estella Stovall, soubret is cleaning up; Green Sisters, buck dancing team are swell; Alex Wren, old woman impersonator is the best I ever worked with and we are working "Aunt Dinah and Uncle Ephram" to perfection. We have a new front with 160 different colored electric lights and a new stripped tent 80x30. Robert White is securing talent for the new show; we have 18 people already.

LeRoy Bland's California Letter.—William Baker, manager of the Oberom Concert Hall has resigned on account of ill health and is going to the Sierra Nevada Mountains for a few months accompanied by his wife. His friends wish him a speedy recovery. Bland & Frye opened at the Oberom and are a decided hit. The nature of the act is "Zulu" and the name "Dahomey." Regards to the Mahara Bunch. The Hatches are rehearsing Rance Smith with their act. Ed. Frye, of Frye & Bland is making a great hit singing Bert Williams' latest oddity, "Nobody." Charlie Bently wishes to hear from Charlie Marrs of the Big Four Comedy Company. The Wells Champion Cake Walkers are at the Chutes permanently. Blondie and Emma Thompson are resting up.

BILLY M'CLAIN IN GREAT BRITAIN.

Ever since Billy McClain first landed in England he has been making the many daily papers say nice things of him. Mr. McClain has written and put on a new play entitled "Fun on the Sands" and with an aggregation of fifty people he appeared at the Winter Gardens in Morecampe recently and made the hit of his life. While there the Morecampe Visitor and Heysham Chronicle was high in its praises of his work, and made special mention of him in every issue. On August 2d this same high class journal came out with a characteristic portrait of McClain as a supplement and a column or more devoted to an interview with Billy McClain.

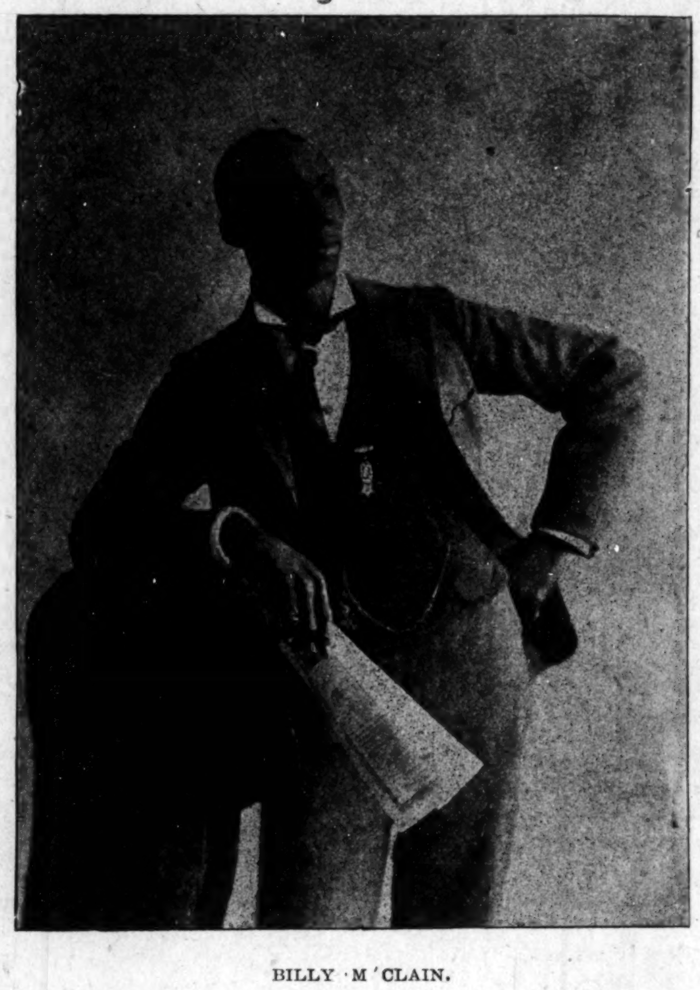
After a few introductory remarks McClain replied in answer to his interviewer as follows:

"When I first met Mr. Tiller I felt I had found just the man I was looking for. I told him all I wanted was a chance, he to furnish the people, scenery and costumes and I would do the rest He took me at my word, and upon the result Morecampe people have had the first opportunity of judging.

"The verdict will have satisfied you I'm sure," I said.

"It has, and I should like you to express to the Morecampe people my thanks for the kind appreciation they have shown. I have produced many successes in my time, in America, Australia and now in England. I arranged three numbers in Drury Lane Pantomime with Mr Tiller's girls, all of which were successful. I was the first colored man to "star" in America in my own play under the management of Messrs. Davis and Keno, and have played everything in the standard plays from "Othello" to "Uncle Tom." I might go on telling you different things about my career that would fill a page, but what's the use? People don't want to hear too much about one's troubles, and a far away look came into the comedian's eyes which suggested that life had not been all a comedy"

Mr. McClain has been in England for four or five months, and in that time has written many sketches for special acts and has bowed to some of the finest audiences in England. The news that reaches us through London exchanges are almost flattering in praise of Mr. and Mrs. McClain's work. These hits have been so great that it is most likely that the McClains will prolong their stay.



BILLY M'CLAIN.

Napoleon Johnson sends the following from Richards & Pringle's Georgia Minstrels.—After taking a month of much needed rest I am back at my old post again. I rejoined the company at Renfrew, Ont., on the ninth and found all the boys with the exception of Fred Harper, in the best of health and with one addition, Billy Nichols, the comedian and mimic The company is getting the money as usual and press and the public are still high in praise of it, and Clarence Powell, our star and stage manager is due much credit for keeping it up to the standard. The band under Tommy Lewis is certainly creating a sensation and is voted the best ever. As every thing is completed we are now on our way to the western coast. A hint is sufficient. Best wishes to the Kersands and all friends. As I am back again, all friends will again hear from me through the columns of the old reliable. Success to all, watch and wait.

Notes from the Little Savoy Theatre Jacksonville, Fla.—We continue to have crowded houses and give satisfaction. Miss Carrie Hall, the peerless coon song singer has returned to work after a good rest of several weeks. Buddie Glenn, everybody's favorite has joined our forces and also Joe Locust, a promising and talented young comedian. Madame Gertrude Brown, a soprano singer is ill. Billy Reeves, our principal comedian has gone to New York for a surgical operation. Miss Sarah Price still continues a big favorite; Mattie Floyd is fast blossoming into a full-fledged comedienne; Pauline Crampton made quite a hit with her choir celestial; Mabel Miles, the sweet singing little soubret is also a big favorite. Billy Bradley and Philip Giles are a team hard to beat anywhere. W. E Gillick, scenic artist and playwright has completed an original melo drama which will be presented shortly.

The vaudeville bill presented at Poli's Theater yesterday afternoon and evening, and which will entertain spectators during each afternoon and evening for the remainder of the week, proved highly popular, and is far superior to the bill of the previous week Each of the acts is pleasing, while some of them made most pronounced hits. Chief among these was the colored quartet, Mallory Bros. and Brooks, assisted by Grace Halliday. They are a revelation in "coon" comedy, if such a vulgar adjective can be properly applied to these refined artists. Their instrumental selections are of a high grade, while the singing of two popular songs showed possibilities which the majority of vaudeville goers did not believe existed therein.—The Springfield Daily News, Springfield, Mass.

Notes from Billy Kersands Minstrels —We are much pleased to state that we are yet among the progressive and prosperous of our line. We are positively cleaning up. Our only regret is the yellow fever quarantine in the different cities. Our show is running strictly on its merits, the word being passed on down the line ahead of us. It is getting hot again but is not affecting business any at all. Robert Conners, better known as "Rastus" closed at Oklahoma City. Alonzo Moore, the marvelous magician, is alone in that line of work as far as his race is concerned. He had the distinguished pleasure of playing to Herman's advance agent in Oklahoma City, and he pronounced Moore to be a perfect revelation of the Twentieth Century. Tack Crossen sends regards to all Indianapolis friends. T. O. Mills, the great male soprano from Wilmington, N. C. sends regards to John L. Jackson and J. Henry Walker. He wishes to hear from them and all other friends, address him, care of The Freeman. Amos Gilliard wishes to be remkmbered to all professional friends

IN THE WORLD OF SPORTS.....

By JOHN L. FOOTSLUG.

The Nonpareil Tennis Club, at Louisville, Ky., organized with the following officers: J. F. Chipley, president; W. W. Holman, secretary, Margaret Thurston, treasurer. A beautiful court is located on Shelby street near the Red Cross Sanitarium. Much interest has been aroused and the members are very enthusiastic. The first match game, in which Drs. Flack and Adams were defeated by Dr. Lattimore and W. W. Holman, was witnessed by a large crowd. The game was one of many fast and clever plays and was only decided in an "advantage game" after "games all." Many interesting games are expected as the members are fast organizing doubles. The club would be pleased to exchange notes and courtesies with any similar organization

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GANS AND GARDNER BATTLE MAY BE NEXT.

A bout that everyone is very anxious to see and may very soon, is that of Joe Gans and Jimmy Gardner. They have been matched several times and something has always turned up that ever threw their coming together far apart. It is world-wide known that Gardner is surely afraid of Gans and that the "risen" Gardner has done a great deal to avoid meeting Gans, and yet some sporting men say that neither is afraid of the other. But anyone who has followed Gans' ring history will note that there has yet to come the time when Gardner can put Gans to flight and that time is far, far distant for Gans likes a great deal of falling in the hands of the "has beens." There is no use to state that Gardner would not be a match for Gans because Gardner is really a clever man and has demonstrated the fact by his good record in the past.

If Gans is now as good as when he fought Frank Erne, the bout between Gans and Gardner would not be even. The best evidence that we have now that Gans has fallen to the ranks of Gardner is his showing with Holly, Langford, Blackburn and others. There has been a time when Gans was far and away from the Gardner class and that time has not reached the dim distance. Many of the world's best "pug" judges have said that Gans was one of the best, if not the best lightweight fighter in the ring's history and about every enthusiast has drawn the same conclusion. Frank Erne, one of the most clever lightweights that ever entered a ring, has many times said that Joe was about as clever as a man gets to be with the gloves. At the bout that came off between Gans and Erne at the Broadway Club, Joe showed something that the betting men believed there was no one in this world could do. In his lazy like way Gans would walk up to Erne, feint him, then while Frank was "out" lead for Erne's jaw with his right hand. Such a lead is conceded to be the biggest "sucker" lead known in the game. Gans would use this a number of times, then with a telling blow land on the chin, then hook his left to the other side of Erne's jaw, then get away without receiving a tap. The next thing you saw Erne's jaw rocking like a boat upon rough sea. Such showings as these cause the American sport to have so much stayed faith in Gans. But coming back to Gardner there are many things in his history that I might relate that are just as brilliant. Now if Gans and Gardner are matched, there is no doubting but that it would rank as the greatest and most interesting to the sporting world that has yet happened this season.

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Base ball season is fast losing pace and foot ball will be the go. Already the Illinois foot ball squad has begun practice. Last week the squad was increased to thirty, the most prominent arrival being Young, the only colored tackle, who weighed in at 215 pounds. He will work some of this off, but will be much heavier than last year. Wheeler, the colored substitute quarter also put in appearance. Great games are looked for in every part of the country and there will be more interest taken in these games then ever before, from the mere fact that this game has more students.

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Billy Nolan has come out with some of his "rat trap" talk. Regarding the prospects of Gans ever meeting Nelson, Nolan says, "As to Gans he has a shady reputation as well as a color and I don't want Nelson to mix up with a fighter of his color." Oh, no Billy Nolan, it isn't that old color question that you don't want, it is simply that you don't want Nelson beaten out of that newly made title of champion of the "light lightweight" class. We see that Billy is after Nelson keeping his glory won recently from Britt, by holding off everyone for an unknown period. It is a wonder, since Billy is looking for a match from some 130 pounder, that he wouldn't put Nelson in the feather weight class. Now so far as a shady reputation, if the past of this hoodlum was known, Devil's Isle would be too enjoyable a place to hold him. Gans' reputation is so glittering that it would blind the eyes of tramp Nolan.

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The Houston and Galveston letter carriers played a game of base ball Labor Day at West End Park, Houston. The score was 12 to 6 in faver of the Houston team

RUSSELL STAGE NOTES.

Talk is the chief occupation of actors. Now if actors really mean to have an organization I will just tell them what the first thing is to do. Admitting that we must wait until the two new stage productions are safely launched, the first effort to be made toward an actor's league is to get money. The way to get it will be to give a gigantic vaudeville show and dance in New York and then plan to repeat it in Chicago, Boston and Philadelphia. Such a man must be selected to manage affairs who has ability and honor and such a man must be paid by the corporation, that's all.

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The two notable productions of the season will be "Abyssinia" and "The Funny Folk Minstrels" The quality and quantity will be the first thing that will interest us most in the production of "Abyssinia." The lyrics some of which I have read, will be bright and the music will be brighter, but the thing which concerns us most is the comedy outlook of Jesse Shipp's new book and the horrid dreams we have of Mr. Shipp's great love for the drama. "The Funny Folk Minstrels" we are now informed is a musical comedy. More information concerning its authors may be given out at a later date. The greater music of the production is by Mr. Freeman, a western composer of some great ability and one in whose public work I will be much interested. As for the comedy itself and the star who is to be exploited I am less concerned. I know the show will be good and criticism, if any, may only have to fall upon its legitimacy. Will it be neither one thing or the other?

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Allie Brown, popular slack wire performer, whose death occured September 1, in a western city, was very popular and much beloved by everybody who knew him. He had been a feature of the Georgia Minstrels and also the Oliver Scott forces for many years. He had also appeared successfully in vaudeville. His most prominent appearance in the East was made as a feature in the Avery & Hart production of "Sons of Ham" a few years ago. He was last reported to be a member of Mahara's Minstrels. Mr. Brown was a good looking man with a slight constitution that was threatened with consumption. As the happiest and best performer in his line with the possible exception of Mack Allen, he lived wtth the unhappy dread of death at any moment, so uncertain was he about his health. The last time I saw him alive was at the Douglass Club after closing with the "Sons of Ham" in New York. I congratulated him on getting married, but he took special delight in seeing me tease an old friend with whom we were once associated with in Scott's Minstrels.

COLUMBIA, TENN.

The fair which was held in this city, Sept. 18-19, was an unparalled success The many and variable premiums offered was the highest evidence of its integrity.—Miss Irene Armstrong has gone to Nashville to enter Walden University.—Miss D'Andre White is off on a lecturing tour.—Rev. H. L. P. Jones of Mt. Pleasant was in the city two weeks ago.—Miss Laura Jones entertained a number of friends Sept. 11th at her home in Fourth street.—Philip Webster will leave soon for Chicago.—John Tucker is among the Freeman's many readers here.

All persons in Latta S. C., should call on P. E Evans and secure a copy of the Freeman, for sale by him each week.

C B. Lewis, the well-known newspaper correspondent of Little Rock, Ark., is now representing The Freeman in that section.

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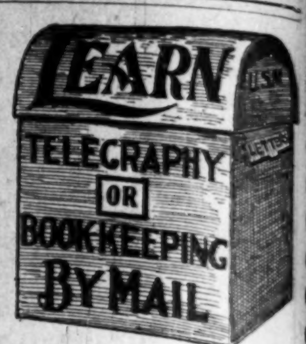

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It will be a source of gratification to many of our high class artists and musicians generally to learn of some headway being made in the fight against "Jim Crow" (so called) laws of the several Southern States. "The Legal Bureau," which has done nothing of any real good for the cause heretofore, has taken steps of late to accomplish something in the interest of the great multitude of traveling colored Americans who are so often humiliated and unjustly inconvenienced by the rigid enforcement of these unconstitutional and cruelly designed mandates The latter are a disgrace to the statue-books of any true and loyal commonwealth of the Union. Counsellor J. D. Wetmore of Jacksonville, Fla., was recently elected a vice-president of the "Bureau," and we know something will be done while he is connected with the "Legal Bureau" in an official capacity. Attorney Wetmore is of the Roosevelt type of manhood, and practices "a square deal" and believe in doing some good things as well as preaching about them. In a recent case against the State of Florida in the Supreme Court Attorney Wetmore secured a decision in his favor against the "Jim Crow" laws, but the State has appealed the case. We know Mr. Wetmore will fight it out to a fin sh. Our earnest prayers are that he will win out in the finale. Possibly it will then be a pleasure for our people, professional and others, to ride as all loyal American citizens do, in all public conveyances in all our common country and its island possessions.

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A number of gentlemen members of the New York Union League Club entertained the principal of Tuskegee Institute at dinner on Saturday evening at the Club House in Fifth Avenue. Mr. Washington returned to his school to be in attendance at its opening of the fall term.

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The grand musical and song recital announced by our worthy editor and manager of the Tribune in Philadelphia is looked forward to with much pleasure and sweet anticipation. Mr. Williams is a thrifty and wide awake race lover and the program he has arranged is hard to excel. October 19th is the date set for this swell affair. Prominent in the galaxy to appear are Madam E. Azalia Hackley, soprano (who makes this her final public recital), Clarence C. White, violin virtuso, Gerald Tyler, pianist, H. L Jetter, violincellist, Chas. Marshall, barytone, Miss Lela C. Walker, dialect readings of Paul Lawrence Dunbar's works, and a number of other artists. S. C. Gilbert will be director of the concert and Messrs. Robinson and Diton will be the accompanists.

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It is gratifying and pleasing to us, to learn of the signal success accorded our popular vaudevillians, Cooper & Robinson during their recent London run. It only goes to prove that the English theatre-goers appreciate clean, original and genuine entertainment when it is delivered by performers whose constant task, and object is to amuse and satisfy as well. Cooper & Robinson played ten weeks in London and the provinces, and have returned to fill an engagement at the Colonial Theatre, New York this week, next at Brooklyn at the Orpheum, then the Alhambra, and Hammerstein's. Later they play Proctors, Troy, N. Y. The team is booked again to sail for Europe in November and will open at the german capital for an extended run. Young Cooper is a thorough gentleman as well as an artist, and with the continued interest of his clever partner, William Robinson, he is sure to add more laurels to his already large number of successes. He has the best wishes of his many friends.

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Mr. Des Verney, formally connected with the Equitable Insurance Company has returned from a protracted stay at Saratoga Springs, and was one of the welcome visitors at the Hogan Show rehearsal Tuesday of last week. F. R. Bell, Prof. Drury and Sylvester Russell were also in evidence a few days ago.

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HEADWAITERS.

C. W. Dwyer, headwaiter Commercial Club Minneapolis, Minn. 8 '05

C. H. Plummer, headwaiter Hotel Brunswick, Uniontown, Pa. 10-05

R. H. Bradley, Headwaiter Menger Hotel, San Antonio, Texas. 3-06

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Remember that The Freeman is offering a yearly subscription free for the best articles or treatment of the subject "How to Obtain the Position of Waiters in Hotels," this question having direct application to the new hotels now under construction in your city or the one planned.

The readers of this column are proud to note, in a recent issue of this paper, that Mr. Goins has entered business for himself. All wish him success in his new venture, and we are confident that Mr. Goins can re-enter the service again any day if he should fail in his venture.

The proprietors and builders of new hotels will be influenced by the conduct and service rendered in the hotel already established, where he or they are most likely to find quarters while their hotel is in course of building. The impression of waiters has all to do with suggesting to them the kind of waiters best suited for their hotel, therefore it becomes all men to render the best and most courteous service to the public. We do not know when we are handling a hotel promoter.

In Dallas, Texas, recently a fine family hotel of six stories and two hundred rooms was thrown open to the public. To our surprise the proprietors engaged white girls as waiteresses. Another big hotel, an old historic landmark, well remembered by all who have visited this metropolis, the Grand Windsor Hotel, has been employing white waiters for six years. They are also engaged in many smaller places and restaurants This of itself is an evidence that something is wrong in Denmark.

There are many members of the Head and Sidewaiters' National Association that we anticipate the pleasure of hearing from on this subject. It becomes all members of this association, and all well-wishers for the success of colored men to give their views however simple and modest. Much good can come from an open discussion of the question. All thinking and observing men will admit that many positions are lost to us simply because the right effort is not put forth, and, again, from poor or improper representation.

Remember we are not discussing the qualification of men after the position is in our possession. We are studying the means and methods of getting possession. Later we will talk of qualifications and the tipping question. Any one can enter this contest for the free subscription, that is, any sidewaiter, second or head man. The object of this discussion, we hope, is plain to every reader. While this may do no one direct good, there is a great benefit to be had from study of method of applying for positions.

The recent articles from Mr. H. Pettigrew of Pittsburg and Mr. Tucker of Augusta, Ga., were read with much interest by the many readers of this department. Whatever good a man deducts from them depends, not so much upon the character and implicit usefulness of the articles, as it does upon the man who reads them If you are possessed of character and ability to foresee what is truly intended, make useful deduction and apply them, then you profit by these papers, but if to the contrary you see nothing good in them. It is not because there is no good, but because you yourself think the world all baseness and deceit, therefore form conclusions accordingly.

THE CONDUCT OF A WAITER.

By H. Pettigrew, Headwaiter of the Monongahela House, Pittsburg, Pa.

There is probably no avocation, business or calling in which the general public and the employe are brought in closer relations with each other than is that of the waiter. Nor is there any in which greater demands are made on the discretion, good judgment and patience of a man. For some unexplained reason the public appears to lose sight of the fact that back of the apron, towel and jacket is a human being with feelings and sensibilities like unto themselves.

The general public when it usually comes in contact with the waiter is hungry, and a hungry man or woman has but little conscience, and is not much different from any other hungry animal until the aching void is filled. The craving for food seems to overpower all the refinement of education and civilization, and to leave the individual as cross and crabid as a bear. It exacts immediate obedience, the satisfaction of its wants, and that, too, in an intelligent and courteous manner.

Right here is where the waiter is kept eternally on the firing line, and he needs to be alert and pains-taking if he quits the scene with credit to himself and with satisfaction to the guest.

Were I asked "What are the trump cards in the make up of the successful waiter, whether in private family, hotel, cafe or on steamship," I should try to emphasize the need of a genteel appearance that is neither a sloven or a dude. Keep a good supply of courtesy always on tap. Remember that you are a gentleman even if your patron should forget that fact. "Assume a virtue if you have it not." Be intelligent; this calls for a close observation and considerable study as to the best methods and the application of the best forms of table service as they are given publicity from time to time.

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The Twentieth Century Colored Republican Club of the Third Ward effected an organization on Friday evening, Sept. 8th, with a membership of 175 The following officers were elected: Lee Twine, president; Wm. Jasper, vice president; S. C. Stokes, secretary; H. Sanders, assistant secretary; A. Lusk and M. Overton, sergeant-at-arms; Wm. Pierce, W. Overton, James Ross, B Baxter and K. A. Bryant, board of directors.

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Washington, Special.—The Civil Service Commission has been engaged in the investigation of charges of discrimination against Negroes in the matter of examination for office in the Southern States. Two of the cases, concerning which inquiry has been, are those of W. C. Carter and M. J. Hornby, both of whom claim to have resigned under pressure from the postoffice at Yazoo, Miss.

District Secretary Donnell decided the examinations had been fair. His investigation, however, led him to the general conclusion, "that the Negroes have been made to know that they will not be allowed to hold clerkships in the post-offices."

JOLIET ILL.

Mr. J. C. Fen and Mr. Jerry Lindsay gave a grand musical and five-course dinner in honor of Miss Eva Macy of Chicago and Miss Kaiser of St. Louis. Among the honored guests were Mrs. Rebecca Brown, Mrs. Evans and daughter Lucy, Mrs. Abby Cole, Miss Evelyn Smith, Miss Virginia Carson, Miss Jessie Foster, Miss Viola Perry, Miss C. M. L Dishman, Luther Bell, Willie Smith, Robert Morris, John Morehead all of Joliet, Mrs. Greenlee, Mr. Freeman and Mr. C. D Jones of Chicago, Miss Gaston of Bloomington. The evening was a pleasant one and honor to all who attended.—The 4 year old daughter of Mrs. Rosa Goff was drowned while playing on the canal bank.—Mrs. Gus. Thomas has returned from her Southern trip.—Mr. Wm. Smith and Mrs. Abby Cole spent Labor Day in Morris.—There was a picnic at Plainfield Sept. 15th.—A short program was rendered Sunday at the A. M. E. Church by the Missionary Society.—Miss Eva Macy has returned to her home in Chicago.—Miss Minnie Stevenson, of Joliet has returned to Buffalo, New York.—Mrs. C. W. Thompson and Viola Perry are on the sick list.

OAK GROVE, GA.

Services at the A. M. E. church were largely attended.—Rev. J. T. Leath preached one of his able sermons. In it we find the advancement of the Negro pulpit.—Rev. F. F. Fiveash held spell bound a large audinance at the First Antioch Baptist church. He also baptized a large number of candidates in the presence of a large crowd. The Dr. is a pulpit orator. In the absence of the general superintendent, J. W. Bell, Bro. Daniel Cochran conducted the Sunday-school with a large attendance.—The Sunday-school at the A. M. E. church was largely attended with R. B. Robinson as superintendent.—S. C. Robinson, the notable farmer of West Mitchel, has just completed a beautiful dwelling.—Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Clayton have gone to Bainbridge, Ga., to visit friends.—Always see James Bell every Saturday on Broad street and get The Freeman, and keep up with the doings of the race.—What is the matter, can't you steal that girl? Don't give up. Try it again, R. C. C.—Major Bell, Jr., is out again attending to business after a three weeks' illness.—Miss Jenary Wesly of Valdosta is upon her usual summer visit.—The G. U. O. of O. F. held their quarterly election and elected W. C. Cox N. G.—Prof. L. W. Bell will soon return to Reynolds to resume his old position as principal of the Providence public school. His many friends will be sorry to see him leave.—We are glad to have Miss Verdelle Clayton with us again after a long visit to her sister, Mrs. Ella Foster, in Atlanta, Ga.—Miss Minnie Wilson holds her position well as teacher at Zion Hill public school.

VIEWS OF A SOUTHERNER.

A. E. Franklin of Birmingham, Ala., touring through the State of Pennsylvania, New York and other States, after visiting Washington, D. C., is stopping in New York City for a few days, was asked what he thought of the Negro of the North when compared by the Negro of the South, said that, as far as he had seen, he thought that the Negro of the South was making greater strides toward civilization than the Negro of the North, and the cause he gave was that the Negro of the North had greater privileges to enjoy what some one else had established or inaugurated that robbed him of that desire to have something for himself. In the South it was not so. If I would drink at a first-class soda fountain or deposit my money at a place where I would receive civil treatment I must establish these things for myself.

HOUSTON TEX.

The Americus Club was opened, September 1 A program was rendered and an elaborate supper was served. Editor C. N. Love and Attorney J. Vance Lewis were toastmasters. Among the recent visitors to the club were: Spencer Graves, Richmond, Tex.; Felix W. Jones, Galveston, Tex.; Will Jackson, Chicago, Ill.; Arthur Williams Victoria, Tex.

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SECOND. The Waiters and Their Qualifications.

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Next we will discuss the evils and benefits accruing from the acceptance of the gratuities from the public, commonly called "Tips."

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REV. GOODWIN'S FALL.

It is not the policy of The Freeman to burden its readers outside this city with a recital of those things that have only a local interest. But the recent two-column contribution of Rev. T. A. Goodwin in the Indianapolis News is of more than local interest. It is from the pen of a man who has won for himself a reputation of fairness and impartiality in discussing questions affecting the interests of the colored people. The article in question exhibits little of that fairness for which Rev. Goodwin was supposed to stand. It is extravagant in many of its points and on others it deserves severe criticism. His complaint against the colored youth for the failure to learn trades, and the Negro mechanic to follow them, comes with very poor grace from a white man who ought to know the attitude of his own people toward the Negro mechanic. It is a thing for which every white man ought to feel thoroughly ashamed. He makes the statement that the great danger of the future lies in "their indifference with rare exceptions, if not their hostility to that degree of mental culture which is essential to success among civilized people."

This is information that is indeed original. We defy Mr. Goodwin to prove it by comparing the figures of one year with those of another. Every school in the country tells a different story than the one he would have us believe. Did it never occur to him that it might be a wise thing to make an inquiry into the causes as to why there are so few colored children, comparatively, in the high schools? Visit the factories and stores and see the vast army of white children who do not finish the high schools, and many of whom do not complete the grammar grades. Is this because they are "hostile" to mental culture?

Evidently Mr. Goodwin does not know that there are mothers battling at the wash tub just as heroically to keep her children from ignorance as did ever a hero to keep a fort from the enemy. Such instances are not exceptions, but are to be found in large numbers. Does this show "hostility to mental culture?"

But we wish to invite attention to the following;

In politics the Negro is everywhere and always a Republican, and most Negroes may be depended upon to follow wherever the Republican flag leads for the next century, if not forever. The result of this has so far been fortunate in State and national politics.

In municipal affairs, however, it is a perpetual menace. It goes without saying that not a single important mea ure of municipal matters hinges upon party politics but the party fealty of the Negro makes him an easy tool for the demagoge or the corruptionist. When so large a per cent of them are not taxpayers at all it is not difficult for a designing man to obtain their in luence in favor of nominating his tool.

To those who do not understand the situation we will say that we are now on the eve of a mayoralty election. Mr. Goodwin evidently does not favor the election of the Republican nominee. Now, it is stated that the Negro has been voting the right way in State and national elections, but in the coming election he is sure to vote wrong. This is to say: When he votes as "we" want him to, he votes right, but when he votes as "we" don't want him to, he votes wrong. So, Rev. Goodwin does not want the colored man to be independent in State and national elections, but he should be in municipal elections. We confess that we are unable to see why this same blind following would not be a menace to the State and Nation, or what would be thought fortunate that any class of people be other than independent at any election. Let us add just here that the "moss-back" Negro Republican is no more of a "moss-back" in his republicanism than is the "moss-back" white Republican. All such, regardless of color, vote the same ticket at each election. For this reason we see no fairness in the attempt to put the responsibility for any political result on the shoulders of the black man. He does not get the credit for victories that suit Rev. Goodwin, and we can see no reason why we should bear the whole responsibility for results that may not suit him.

There can be no question that a greater division in this vote is desirable from every sane point of view, but this should be sought through an appeal to the reason of all men instead of an appeal to prejudice of some men. Any people will incline toward those who show some respect for their rights as men and citizens, and on this ground it must be admitted that Jim Keach is a mighty poor quality of bait for the black man.

But the disintegration of the colored vote is much greater than is generally believed. The number of colored men who are uninfluenced by mere party name is rapidly increasing, and it would increase more rapidly but for the frequent wholesale condemnation by the opposition.

There is some truth in Rev. Goodwin's letter, but we must protest against these blessings and curses that come all in the same breath. What does it say when looked at squarely? It says to the white voter: "All the Negroes are going to vote for Mr. Bookwalter, and we want you, on this account, to vote for Mr. Holzman." It is nothing more nor less than an attempt to use race prejudice for political purposes. Certainly this is a regretable incident that we had no reason to expect of Rev. Goodwin. Looked at, as we view it, it is the most discouraging incident that has come to our notice in years, and coming at this moment it can have but one interpretation.

No, the Negro does not fear for himself in the pace that the Anglo-Saxon has set for him in the way of achievement, for he has always been sustained by the belief that above the rabble there were more than seven hundred who had not bowed the knee to Baal and whose sense of equity and justice would give him a "square deal." But when those whom he has regarded as the fairest and best are not averse to using race feeling to serve political ends, then, indeed, he may feel some alarm for the security of his rights as a man and a citizen.

SOME BELATED NEWS.

We have received news of a mob that did not get out on the wires. It was composed of colored men and occurred at Muskogee, Indian Territory. Its victim was a white man by the name of Earnest Hicks. His crime was that of criminal assault on an eleven-year-old colored girl who was left with the threat that if she told she would be killed. The man was taken to the jail and turned over to the jailer. When the girl had recovered sufficiently three men were taken before her and she at once pointed out her assailant, and he was returned to jail.

This is one of the hundreds of cases of such depravity that is doomed to remain practically unknown for the simple reason that it is part of the general plan to make it appear that such criminality is peculiar to the Negro. In this instance the Associated Press agent refused to send out the dispatch, notwithstanding the fact that there was no doubt as to the guilt of the accused. Is there anything that can surpass the hypocrisy of these Southerners?

An appeal for aid is sent us from Vicksburg, Miss., whose inhabitants are surrounded by the yellow fever quarantine. We publish this appeal in another column and hope it will meet with a hearty response. Few are able to send large sums, but if all will send the little they are able to send it will produce an aggregate that will go to relieve a most deserving people. We would especially invite the attention of ministers to this matter and suggest that they mention this from their pulpits and give their people an opportunity to give something. This should also be done in schools where collections are not forbidden. This is a call that should reach the hearts of all.

John L. Boardman of Macon, Ga., a cousin of J. Pierpont Morgan, left a will, which is being probated, in which he bequeathed $25,000 to a colored woman. The will is being contested. It was brought out in the testimony that Boardman "had long been under the influence of the woman," and that he had been "eccentric concerning her." We feel a shame in this sort of thing, and mention it only for the purpose of showing the hypocrisy of the Southern white man.

Mr. Bryan has written to President Roosevelt congratulating him and the country on the prestige we have gained by the conclusion of the war. He also suggests that there be a permanent arrangement among the leading nations that will prevent wars in the future. Robert Ingersoll submitted a plan of this kind eighteen years ago. But all the nations have gone on building armies and navies.

"HE KNOWS."

I know not what shall befall me—
  God hangs a mist o'er my eyes—
And on each step of my onward path
  He makes new scenes to arise,
And every joy He sends me comes
  As a strange and sweet surprise.

I see not a step before me,
  As I tread on another year,
But the past is still in God's keeping—
  The future His mercy shall clear,
And that which looks dark in the distance
  May brighten as I draw near.

For perhaps the dreaded future
  Is less bitter far than I think;
The Lord may sweeten the waters
  Before I stoop to drink,
Or if Marah must be Marah,
  He will stand beside the brink.

It may be that He keeps waiting
  For the coming of my feet
Some gift of such rare blessedness—
  Some joy so strangely sweet—
That my lips can only tremble
  With the thanks they cannot speak.

Oh, restful, blissful ignorance,
  'Tis blessed not to know,
It keeps me to those Mighty Arms,
  Which will not let me go,
And hushes my soul to rest
  On the Bosom which loves me so.

And so I go on—not knowing—
  I would not if I might,
I'd rather walk in the dark with God
  Than go alone in the light,
I would rather walk with Him by faith
  Than walk alone by sight.

My heart shrinks back from trials,
  Which the future may disclose,
Yet I never had a sorrow,
  But what the dear Lord chose—
So I wait, and bow submissive
  To the will of Him who knows.

—M. G. Brainard.

We are not well up on the officials in various religious denominations and did not know that Baptists had bishops, but "Bishop Albert Mack, D. D., the National General Evangelistic Missionary and the Great Baptist Reformer of the United States and Canada" seems to be one. He was kind enough to send us a circular of his fiftieth anniversary. He says that Grover Cleveland and Theodore Roosevelt are the greatest rulers this nation ever had; that John D. Rockefeller is the best man living in the world, and that Joseph W. Folk is a wonder of the world.

People are so constituted that they must have some one who, without any argument, is recognized as their inferiors. A few people at Newport, New York, London and Paris have the rest of mankind as their inferiors; then the talented and the wealthy who are not included in the first lot have those who are debarred from their class as their inferiors; finally the Anglo-Saxon in America, whether he has either wealth or talents, have the Negro for their inferiors. It is a perfectly safe position for it rests on nothing except the dictum of those who feel that they are superiors.

Four ministers have recently written on phases of the race problem. They are men who have dedicated their lives to propagating the teachings of Jesus of Nazareth. One of them has offered as a reward for the solution of this question "a monument more enduring than brass." Now, in the face of the fact that all these men are engaged in preaching this Gospel of Peace, is it not remarkable that neither of them had anything to say about it as a necessary factor in this solution?

It is said that medical treatment is being given the inhabitants of Porto Rico for the "lazy worm" malady. It is explained that the effect of this malady on the individual is that it "renders him absolutely unfit for work."

We know a few "colored gentlemen" here who need to take a couple of barrels of this medicine every morning before breakfast.

Rain-in-the-face, the old Indian chief, is dead. He was one of the old guard, few of whom remain, who contested every inch of the encroachment of the pale face upon the land of his fathers. The history of the Indian is one of the saddest. It is one that the American people will one day be thoroughly ashamed of if they ever learn to live the gospel they preach.

The reorganized government under the English in South Africa gives certain rights to "all white men," but it shuts out the black man from land ownership, the franchise and many other things. We mention this for the benefit of those colored men whose sympathies were on the side of the English in the Boer war.

How would it do to have the State pay all of the legitimate expenses of its elections, and then make a crime of the further use of money on elections? There would be a stop put "out of business" all those who are influenced by a money consideration without lessening the activity of those who seek the good of the public.

If it is believed that Mr. Bryan was opposed on account of his views on finance just let the Democrats nominate Folk of Missouri and see if he does not encounter the same opposition.

The Czar is to call a second peace conference at the Hague. This time he is no doubt sincere.

A great big joke is in store for the South. It will be sprung soon after the foreign laborer is given the place of the colored laborer.

The information that Japanese paymasters have embezzled $165,000 during the past year gives these people additional claim to the title of "Yankees of the Orient."

Mrs. Frank Leslie urges girls not to marry before 25 or 28, but this need not cause apprehension of rejections if proposals are made earlier.

Rev. Haygood read Rev. Goodwin's article with "pleasure and profit." We confess that we did not read it with either one.

The fact remains that man is a leaner, says the Colorado Statesman. The fact remains that few of them are.

With apologies to The Knocker:
Knock, and the world knocks with you;
Boost, and you boost alone.

"Tainted money" is always welcomely received by tainted people.

In his life work for Normal, Prof. Councill has exhibited a broad and lofty character for practical philanthropy which the Post is glad to note, and wish for more men like him to lift up and help both races. Since the establishment of the splendid school, which has been brought to its high and useful standard mainly through his genius and devoted work, he has contributed from his salary over $16,000. That is about $800 a year, for the past twenty years. His salary is not large. And those who are informed know that he does not live in extravagance, hence he and his family have made sacrifices in order to contribute so liberally to the support and permanent establishment of an institution of practical instruction that has done so much and continues to do more for his race of people.—Huntsville (Ala.) Daily Post, Hon. Ben. P. Hunt Editor.

The September Colored American Magazine.

The September issue of The Colored American Magazine is rich—rich in everything. Besides "The Way of the World" there are contributions on "Woman's Suffrage;" Williams and Walker, Comedians;" "The Upward Struggle" (a study of the recent meeting of the Business League); "The Business Career of Mrs. M. E. Williams," by Carrie W. Clifford, and various other especial contributions. The poem is written by Will H. Hendrickson. The portraits are many and interesting. The steady growth of the magazine enables it to give to the world each month the best of and by the Negro. Ten cents the copy. Newsdealers or Cedar and Pearl streets, New York.

TOP O' THE WEEK.

BY CHARLES MARSHALL

The high school boys are the only boys who know exactly how this country should be run.

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The easiest thing for a boy with a bent pin to catch these days is the school teacher with a paddle.

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The majority of our rising young men to-day run elevators.

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The outside world attracts the school boy more than ever these days.

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If a man could only hear a part of the remarks made of him in a gathering of women he would probably stand on his head.

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There is one time that a man sees the beauty part of being upright and that is when he is behind iron bars.

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It is not hard to get every one to speak well of you—when you are dead.

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There are lots of business men we know of who are honest as the day is long and yet do lots of mischief during the night.

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Death is about the only sure cure for lying that has ever been discovered.

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The amateur that can sing and won't sing ought to have a gold medal.

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A tramp abroad in the morning for your health is worth two at your back door.

SHORT FLIGHTS.

BY R. W. THOMPSON.

Stand by the friends who stand by you.

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1905–06 will be a grand year for education of every variety.

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There is a healthful sentiment of unity in the air. Push it along.

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A leader who expects to be able to please everybody all the time starts out under a heavy handicap.

Public Printer Palmer has been "fired" and the government printing office is "under fire." It looks like a case of "Rickets."

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Recruits are necessary to any growing movement, but the price is too high if they must be won at the sacrifice of the "old guard"—the sturdy yeomanry "who have borne the burden in the heat of the day."

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An essential part of the education that the Negro needs is to understand the value of the ballot and the sacred responsibility that the right of suffrage carries with it. Hon. J. C. Napier does well to impress this thought early in our reorganized struggle for civic equality.

AN ADDRESS TO THE PEOPLE

(CONTINUED FROM FIRST PAGE.)

selves, and to a firmer determination to contribute of their abundance to testing in the courts all laws of states which deny to them the equal benefits of protection of government as guaranteed by the federal constitution.

(3) There must come a time when Afro-Americans shall cease to be the objects of class legislation by states of which they are citizens, but in the conduct of which they have absolutely no part because of disqualifying laws obviously in contact with the fundamental law of the land, against which we protest, and against which the American people will yet protest because of the injustice done them by the preponderant political influence enjoyed by the late slave states, because of a basis of representation more advantageous to them than that they enjoyed under the slave basis of proportionment in Congress and in the electoral college.

(4) Reformation in the prison conditions of the southern states is an object of such vital moment that we urge the thoughtful men and women of the race to lead in their best thought and effort by judicious appeal to public opinion and to those who make and enforce the laws providing and governing penal institutions.

(5) To encourage Afro-Americans to leave the sections of the country where they are most at home by rea-on of climatic and economic conditions because of vicious laws and public opinion and to move into sections of the country where the climate is unsuited to them and where there is no place in the economic life of their new neighbors in which they can secure employment necessary to live and properly care for their dependents, is a grave question which is provoking earnest discussion in the responsible newspapers of the North and West

(6) To this end and that we may have a manhood and womanhood rounded in all the elements of strength of head and heart for the serious work of life that confronts us, we urge greater support and an enlargement of our advantages both of industrial and of higher education.

It is a long way from the slave pen to the creditable mental, moral and material status which the Afro-American people occupy t day in all parts of the Republic; and if we shall hope on and labor on with the manly courage and laughs at obstacles that annoy but cannot hinder us in the upward movement of higher living, and the faith which inspired and nerved our fathers and mothers in the dark days when no ray of hope pierced the dark cloud of bondage, the God who had led the children of Israel out of the bondage of Egypt into the promised land beyond Jordan, will lead us so that finally we shall rest securely within the folds of the star-spangled banner, the greatest and proudest emblem of sovereignty that floats above a free people.

PORTLAND, OREGON.

The Nat Reiss Carnival Company passed through Portland recently en route to California. Among the colored talent were: Ben Hunn and wife, Punch Jones, Ben Young and wife, Dupree and wife, Will Brown, Miss Vida Thornton and Mrs. Douglas Banks Jones—W. Haynes has resigned as steward at the Hotel Astoria and is now on the N. P. diner on the Seattle run.—Zan Edwards has been managing the Tennessee Troubadours They played Astoria recently.—Dave Gasbury and Will Lewis of Oakland, Cal., were in the city last month.—Mesdames Proctor, of Washington, D. C. and Pierre, of Victoria, B. C. have returned home—Mr. and Mrs John Jones have returned to California to live—Wiley Martin of Oakland, was in the city recently.—The stork visited Mr. and Mrs Robert Perry, September 3 and left a girl.—Mrs. N. Thomas, of Walla Walla Mrs. E. H. Holmes of Spokane, and Mrs. Coombs, of Seattle, nee Smith of Chicago, are in the city.—Pendleton Smith has resigned as chef on the O·R. & N. Dining Car and has accepted the same position on Manager Fields' private car.

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DALLAS, TEX.

Mrs. I. S. Starr is visiting in the Indian Territory.—The Dramatic Society is presenting some new plays.—The Rabbit's Foot Comedy Company played to a good business here September 13. Churches and lodges are in a prosperous condition.—We are soon to have an up to date night school where bookkeeping and a general business education will be given.—Is that boy or girl of yours in school? If not, why not send them now?—Great crowds are attending the series of gospel meetings held every night on Cockron and Ellis streets—The Wild Cats and the Rabbits crossed bats at the ball park; score 0 to 0.—Mrs. M. Smith has been to the Fort—Mrs. Jake Ward is able to be up—Mrs. John Walker was in Fort the past week on lodge business. Crystal Palace Lodge held a mock initiation last Thursday night.

ROGER WILLIAMS UNIVERSITY.

[Special to The Freeman.]

Rev. P. B. Guernsey, president of Roger Williams University, announces that there will be no session during the coming school year. It has been impossible to complete the new buildings made necessary by the recent disastrous fire which destroyed the main buildings. There are being replaced with better and more complete structures, together with all modern appliances. This course was thought preferable to the expense of erecting temporary buildings, and will enable the school to offer hereafter superior advantages to any it has given before. He requests that all former students hold themselves in readiness for October, 1906. The faculty would like to hear from students at once.

CAIRO, ILL.

A reception was given in honor of Rev. Bennett, the new pastor of the First Baptist Church, last Monday night. The following program was rendered: Invocation, Rev. G. W. Benton; Welcome Address, A. A. Martin; Response, Prof. J. M. Arter; Solo, Rev. Sanders. Master of ceremonies, Prof. J. C. Lewis. Rev. Bennett succeeds Rev. W. B. Brown.—A. A. Martin, Jr., is ill.—G. W. Clark is recovering from a recent illness—Dr. W. F. Taylor has been engaged in the drug business at Chicago for eight years and has moved his moved his business to this city, at 1813 Washington avenue. He has a fine line of drugs, perfumes, patent medicines, etc. We wish him success.

Every Lady Read This.

Years ago when I was a sufferer, an old nurse told me of a wonderful cure for Leucorrhea, Displacement, Painful Peri ds, Uterine and Ovarian troubles. It cured me in one month. It is a simple harmless lotion that can be prepared by any one having the recipe. I will send it Free to every suffering sister who writes to me. I have nothing to sell. This is a case of woman helping woman. I send it Free. Address Mrs. A. B. Hudnut, South Bend, Ind.

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The Stage

In a recent issue, I stated that the Meredith Sisters had sailed from London, Eng., for South America. It should have been South Africa.

Black & Jones are at the Inmar Casino, Boston, Mass., playing a return engagement, with Howard to follow. Best regards to all. Address 65 Walton Street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Marsh Craig left Chicago September 17, for Winnipeg, Mann., to join Rusco & Holland's Minstrels. Little Lorraine Craig is in splendid health and sends regards to Sylvester Russell and all friends.

Irvin Jones closed August 26, at the Coliseum, London, Eng., and after a two weeks' rest opened a thirty weeks' engagement on the Moss and Stoll tour. Mr. Jones has few equals in his line and will make a big hit in the provinces. In America he was billed as "the Little Black Man," but in England he has been dubbed "A Gentleman of Color."

Laura S. Logan the sweet soprano and coon shouter writes.—"I have made good at the parks this summer. The Freeman has brought me more engagements than I could fill. Regards to all friends. Address 219 Walnut Street, Ft. Madison, Ia."

A correspondent from Sydney, Australia says:—Mr. Tesdale, the tenor soloist who came from the United States and joined the McAdoo Jubilee singers, is making a great hit. A colored artist takes much better here than a white one. An American colored man will soon become popular in society if he can sing and dance.

Notes from Van Amburg Concert and Band.—We are now in North Carolinia. Business is good and we are making good everywhere. There have been three more car loads added; horses, camels, elephants and other things. Best regards to all friends. Hunter & Shelvy send regards to W. R. Lacy.

Notes from P. G. Lowery's Musical Enterprise,—The company is making a hit wherever they go. Miss Daisy Lee has been ill and has gone home for a few days. P. G. Lowery, James Hall and Miss Sallie Lee were the guests of Mr. Lee, father of the Misses Lee, at Columbus last Sunday. Messrs. Jones and Viney also spent Sunday in Columbus, O., also with some friends and relatives. Fred C. Richardson, Harry Crosby and Henry Lee spent Sunday at Springfield, O.

LeRoy Bland's California Letter.—The weather is fine out here, the land of birds and flowers. The colored performers are all at work; the Wells Cake Walkers go to the Broadway next week; Blondie and Emma Thompson are in Sacramento; Brown Brothers, Frank and Harry, are at the Orpheum with as neat a singing and drawing act as can be produced. They call themselves the College Indians. Bland & Fry will go South shortly; The Hatches and Rance Smith are laying off; Charlie and Laura Bently have returned from a visit to the Sacramento fair; McCarver, Reed & Bambo are out on the road with their own show. James Grey is singing in grand opera.

INDIANAPOLIS PLAY HOUSES.

"The Mascottes" burlesquers will open Monday matinee at the Empire for a week's stay. Friday night will be amateur night.

"The Eye Witness" opens Monday afternoon at the Park for three days.

CARD OF THANKS.

Editor The Freeman:

Allow me through the columns of your valuable paper to sincerely thank the members of the Mahara Minstrels, of which my husband, Allie Brown was a member, Williams & Walker and Ernest Hogan Companies for their kindness and sympathy extended to me in my sad bereavement. MRS. ANNIE BROWN.
Williams & Walker Company.

SIGHT-SEERS AT CHICAGO

Some of the Indianapolis boys, so far as names are concerned, are Messrs. George Blaine and Dick Sweeney, two popular fellows in this state, were royally entertained by the genial Harry Davis while in Chicago last week. Mr. Davis, so say the boys showed beyond a doubt how well he could entertain at his palatial home at 3161 State street. It was remarkable the way Mr. Davis put on good things like chicken, wines and cigars for the disposal of his most welcome friends. They also found a very entertaining young woman in Mrs. Anna Tolliver, who was quite desirous to show every one a splendid time.

Misses Nellie Ford and Barber were among those who added much to the their enjoyment. Prof. Harris, the contortionist, of Dubuque, Ia., gave a toast on racing, "that you can't book in Indiana," that was very much appreciated. Messrs. Blaine and Sweeney wish them all a long and prosperous life and hope to see them again.

SOCIAL PICK-UPS IN AND AROUND NEW YORK.

Miss L. May and Mrs. L. Hoff of Poughkeepsie, N. Y., were recent visitors in the metropolis.

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Messrs. Poney Moore and Daniel M. Jackson are here visiting friends and enjoying the entertaining done for them by their old Chicago friends at the famous Hotel Marshall. Their stay, at this writing, is indefinite.

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Joseph Mahood, the popular young musician of Brooklyn, is doing some excellent work with the popular "Century Quintette," and, as the season is fully opened now, he is steadily engaged.

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All performers of the race are hereby informed that anything they desire to know concerning the 'Actors' Beneficial League' recently formed in New York City, or anything concerning the whereabouts, itinerances, etc., of our recognized artists and performers will be gratefully supplied by Carle B Cooke, (N. Y. Journalist) 42 W. 28th street, New York City. All my professional co laborers and friends can address me at the above address. Among those who owe me a letter are Harry Brown, Irving Jones, the Meredith Sisters (in South Africa) and the Brittons, who have been resting in Holland, who open in London this month.

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"The Birth of the Minstrels Company" are now preparing the staging of the show. Mr. Hogan has engaged the services of A. J. Cammeyer, the famous theatrical shoe man, to supply all the members with all the pedal adornments to be used in the productions. The costumes will be the best that money can buy. Managers Hurtig and Seamon have attended a few of the rehearsals and expressed their gratification at the progress. Director J. Ed. Greene and Prof. Freeman are making in the preparation and rehearsing of their large company. Frank B. Williams wrote eight of the compositions used in the productions, and Thomas Lemonier composed twelve of the musical numbers used in the score. "Bob" Kelley, the comedian, formerly appearing with Cole & Johnson's company in "A Trip to Coontown," and Samuel Lucas, the refined "chip of the old block," have parts in the caste of the Hogan show. Harry Fiddler, the noted mimic and Chinese impersonator has signed with Mr. Hogan. Prominent among the other members of the caste are Miss Carita Day, Miss Mayme Emerson, Madam Adams (prima donna), Miss Anna Cooke, "Brandon and Willy," Anthony Byrd, Harry Gillam, the noted dialect artist and acrobat, Mr. Troy, the lyric tenor formerly with Williams & Walker company, and Mr. Barker. The chorus constitutes about fifty of the best singers of the race.

THE FREEMAN'S GALLERY.

SYLVESTER RUSSELL.
The Singer and Writer.

Songster and wielder of the pen,
I fain would laud your lofty ken;
Who sees and only sees the right,
And writes for right with all his might.
—CHARLES MARSHALL.

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LADIES' LIST.

Bluford, Miss Hattie	Mearin, Mrs Glenn H
Clark, Mrs. Leah	Scott, Mrs Emma
Foster, Miss Leona D	Turner, Miss Agnes
Gilliam, Miss Tenia	Turpps, Mrs Georgia
Lecoss, Miss D C W	Teinte, Mrs Bard
Minet, Miss Alberta	

GENTLEMEN'S LIST.

Armstrong, T L	Lacey, W R
Alexander, Wm	Logan, Tom
Armstrong, Thos	Larose, C Adams
Armstrong, Roy	Mulligan, J
Barnes, Jerry	McDade, Geo (2)
Beebee, C W	Rhoan, Geo
Bennett, F C	Rhone, G B
Bifoan, O Y	Reeves, The
Blue, Prof W	Robinson, W A
Barnes, H G	Shorts, Prof I B
Colemon, Henry	Shields, W
Collins W E	Smith, H S
Desdune, D P	Swan, Geo A
Foster, Chas B	Toliver, John
Fleming, C R	Wade, Kid
Gant, R H	Wilson, Chas
Garland, Will	Williams, J H
Looney, E J	Watts, Billy
Lane, H S	

1904. ROUTE. 1905

A Rabbit Foot Co—Greenville, Texas, Sept. 25; Terrell, 26; Ennis, 27; Waxahachie, 28; Corsicana, 29; Mexie, 30.

P. G. Lowery & Co., with the Wallace Circus—Roncevert, W. Va., Sept. 25; Covington, Va., 26; Clifton Forge, 27; Staunton, 28; Harrisonburg, 29; Lexington, 30.

Renix Bro.'s Old Plantation—Redwood Falls, Minn., Sept. 27 to 29.

Frank Mahara's Big Minstrel Carnival—Hiteman, Iowa, Sept. 25; Albia, 26-27; What Cheer, 28; Oskaloosa, 29; Ottumwa, 30.

The Brewers (John and Maud and F. R. McAdoo)—Port Morea, Societie Islands, Sept. 25 to 30; Raruta, Societie Islands, October and November.

Al E. Holman's Serenaders—Folies, Manager—Paris, France, Aug. 1 to Sept. 30; Parisiana, Oct. 1 to 31; Nederlausch, Panoticum Amsterdam, Holland, Nov. 1 to 30.

WHAT THE SEASON OFFERS.

Looking over the long list of new plays the season offers some very good attractions so far as colored shows are concerned. Among them there is one that deserves particular attention and that is the comic opera, "Abyssinia" written by one of the best playwrights of the day, Mr. Jesse Shipp, who has caused the world to laugh by the spiciness of his pen in dealing with "In Dahomey." Williams & Walker will star in "Abyssinia" and everyone knowing the ability of these two great actors can look for a great show. There will be over one hundred performers in this company. New effects in scenery and costumes have been made. There is hardly any way for one to see failure in this play because the author, managers and actors are just the ones to handle difficult things.

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"The Funny Folks Minstrel," is another that will attract great attention, for the one great reason, Ernest Hogan will star in it, and whether the play is well written or not the repertoire consists of such stars as Mattie Wilkes, Mamie Emerson, J. Ed. Green, Bob Kelly and Sam Lucas. These names are sufficient to insure you of some good performing. If you were in a position to see Stage Manager J. Ed. Green put a company through a rehearsal you would then say that everything will be exact in the "Funny Folk Minstrel."

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"Richest Coon in Georgia" in which Williams & Stevens, two very clever performers, will star, is another new play of merit. Williams & Stevens have long been known as two genuine good comedians who are forever springing something new. Something that is far and away from being shoddy and it is my opinion that the critics and the people will have nothing but the best to say of "Richest Coon in Georgia."

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The "Smart Set" has undergone a decided change in its program from last year. That is many new faces will be seen, much new scenery and beautiful costumes will be shown. So far as the acting is concerned every one should know that the funny part will be well taken care of by Sam Dudley and a great share of the best kind of singing will, as it should, fall to the public favorite, Miss Marion Henry Smart.

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W. A. Mahara will put a great deal of "ginger" in both his Minstrel and Damon's New Orleans Concert Company which were so great a success last year. Mr. Mahara is certainly a manager of much ability and every one of his stage efforts have been tip top.

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What the public is also very anxious to see is E. Willis' "Hottest Coon in Dixie" Company. Now this troupe has ever been successful from the start until now. There is something always to be seen and laughed at in this great play of Mr. Willis', and to assure you that this production is something of the standard order, you will note that this season is about the fifth one for "Hottest Coon in Dixie."

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A man deserving of great praise for his efforts, which are very lofty is Pat Chappelle. When you consider the rocky road a man of color has to travel in order to reach the high road of success, you will say that Pat is "what the doctor ordered." Mr. Chappelle starts out with a goodly number of America's best performers in a new addition of "A Rabbit's Foot." In fact as I have found out all will be new and dazzling. You should in your rounds to the play houses, see an old time favorite "A Rabbit Foot" Company.

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—CHARLES MARSHALL.

(To Be Continued.)

AN HOUR WITH THE WALKERS.

BY SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

Twenty minutes with George W. Walker of Williams & Walker, in his den, and forty minutes with his charming wife, Ada Overton Walker in their big bed chamber, is the way I divided one hour between the Walkers at their Twenty-sixth street residence in the busy section of New York City where Mr. Walker resides to be handy for business. During my visit to the business convention Mr. Walker had invited me to his residence for a social call and as I was anxious for an interview before leaving the city for Delaware Water Gap I asked Ernest Hogan to telephone George from the Marshall House that I would call on Saturday evening. I hired a cab and was driven to the Walker residence, but just as I arrived Mr. Walker was about to go out to meet another engagement. Cordial wisdom caused him to give me a twenty minutes conference, so we at once retired to his den.

His library, musical studio and den are all combined in one room of ample dimensions. There we sat with our two neatly groomed heads nodding closely together, discussing the ways and means of theatrical politics. But Mr. Walker hadn't much time for he had to go in twenty minutes. I had no watch handy so we decided that Mr. Walker himself would time us. He told me lots of things in twenty minutes. He dramatically roved around until he reached the happy conclusion that there is no discord or jealousy between himself and his partner. "Williams & Walker, he ejaculated, practically are one." This amused me very much, in view of the fact that Mr. Walker has a private secretary. My thoughts of his limited time made me lose the substance of much that was said. I remember that once he recalled his bootblack days those honorable days of youthful toil which remind us that all black men who have risen are self-made men. I blushed, but he couldn't see it. Those hustling days were the foundation of his success, for Mr. Walker is a man who has gained valuable knowledge by his own hard experiences. He represents the business end of the firm. He is pleasingly unaffected and measures out his equipoise with dignity. He denied the report that Dockstader is interested in his show and says that Jack Shoemaker attends to the control of the management. Here Mr Walker's time was up and a carriage was waiting at the door. He bade me good night and as we passed by the big bed chamber he told me to step in and see Mrs. Walker.

We quite agreed on things theatrical. I told Mrs. Walker that a critic has more sympathy when he knows the parties personally, whom he is criticising then if he did not know them at all. She replied yes but had no objections to criticism. She thinks it is good, from the pen of a critic of experience, for performers who are intelligent and understand it.

Thus spoke the actress of superior ability, as the piano in the library adjoining echoed a symphony from the delicate finger-tips of another lady in the household whom I did not see. In taking notes for my intended history, Mrs. Walker informed me that she is a New Yorker. "Happy thought" I murmured, what an emblem she will be to the next generation in the future history of the best colored ladies who went upon the stage, a respectable lady, a real actress and a New Yorker. Mrs. Walker is not only lucky in having nice hair but her color and skin are perfect. Her complexion is a light shade of brown without a blemish. She is neither ugly or handsome but just good to look upon.

We can only congratulate her in being able to show her real talent and color before the footlights without being mistaken for white. Then I had to ask about Europe as a matter of course. Seated now in a graceful pose in true artistic style, she said she took well in Europe but rather likes the home country best. This I applauded and as forty minutes had passed I found my hat in the front parlor, where I left it. I said that I had enjoyed my visit, as Mrs. Walker saw me out, and left to take an elevated train and then a boat for Jersey.

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By running down poor colored folks
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We note that Tom assails the North
To help the South along,
But nothern people draw the line
With preachers who go wrong.

The Leopard's Spots that Dixon shows
The soft spot in his brain,
With all his preaching and his books,
Will make his work in vain.

Tom Dixon you will hardly do
You'll soon go up the spout,
The education of today
Will rule your logic out.

Your comprehension is too small
Your eyes are dim of sight,
Before you croak I guess you'll find
That Booker T. is right.

Amalgamation, Tom is here
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—SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

THE LEXINGTON ANNUAL FAIR

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The thirty-sixth annual A. and M. Fair Association closed here Saturday with the greatest success in history. It has been conceeded that a larger number of visitors and strangers visited the Lexington fair this year than ever before. Handsomely-gowned ladies and well-dressed gentlemen came from all over the country to visit the fair and see the Ohio Negro soldiers. Soldiers and every one seemed to be on "dress parade." The attractions at the fair were superb. The artistic and delicate touch of the female was seen in the Exhibition Hall. This department brought thousands to see the industrial development of our women. The racing features were especially interesting. Quite a deal of pleasure was had by the great crowd on Saturday witnessing the trotting race of the fair officers. Beautiful women and fast horses were also among the attractions of the fair. Some of the fastest running races that have ever been pulled off at the track were witnessed Saturday. All kinds of side shows consisting of the large head infant, Millie Christe, minstrels and such like were seen "on the pike." The baloon ascention daily was worth the admission. The wonderful leap from the parachute caused thousands to raise their heads in admiration and awe

The Great Peoples Band of Columbus, Ohio of twenty-five men was an attraction itself. This fine military band gave daily concerts. The "white press" stated it was one of the finest bands that has ever marched the main streets. The National Guard of Ohio was undoubtedly the chief and greatest attraction. The pretty Kentucky girls fairly took the soldier boys. The impression that these soldier boys made upon the people generally is immeasurable. The parade and their batallion drill daily was the feature of the week. Every afternoon at 4 p. m. the bugle call was heard and finally these handsome soldier boys were seen marching to the field where the colonel of the batallion gave command which resulted in some pretty movements. Socially the week was gay. The hospitality of the Lexingtonians was open armed. Welcome was at every door. Luncheons, receptions, dances, banquets and military balls were the program at nights. The promoters of the fair deserve much commendation for the very excellent attraction given the people. There were so many present, big and little, and the writer recalls so few names that we will say the Freeman and everybody was there and had a good time. At the military ball Mr Lucian Johnson led the grand march after which five hundred two-stepped.

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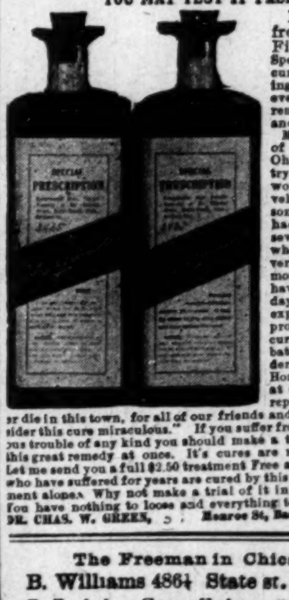

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The Howard University muddle comes up again this month. There is a well-grounded fear on the part of the people that the committe on investigation has a large whitewash brush in readiness and that it will gloss over some very ugly conditions, to the detriment of the best interests of the school. Howard University is badly in need of some drastic reforms. President Gordon should be removed because of his color prejudice and general inefficiency, and Dr. Hamlin should get off the board of trustees for the good of the service, as the patrons and students have lost faith in his capacity for administering the affairs of Negroes in the proper spirit. A Negro should be installed in the president's chair, and thus avoid the friction caused by the mixing of the races in a strictly colored institution. If justice cannot be had through the present Committee, the matter should be carried to Congress.

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"Is this Dr. Franklin?" he inquired.

"It is."

"Sir," said Armand, "a packet was given secretly into your hands to hold for me some time since, sealed with a red seal bearing four lances."

Dr. Franklin drew his brows together with a glance of surprise and shook his head.

"Surely you have received it?"

There was a curious rigor of anxiety in the tone that caused Dr. Franklin to glance sharply at his questioner. The scrutiny satisfied him, for the look of suspicion that had been stiffened by the strenuous times faded into his habitual benevolence.

"I recall none such," he answered gravely. "What name did it bear?"

"It bore no name." The tone shook now with a confusion of apprehension.

"I fear that is all the more reason that I could not have forgot it. These are troublous days, sir, and faith not always to be relied upon. To whom did you intrust this document?"

Something like fear had come into the other's eyes, and Dr. Franklin for the first time noted with concern his agitation and pallor.

"To a young lady of Virginia."

"I am sorry, sir, deeply sorry," said the old man, "but no such packet has been put into my hands at any time."

"Poor young man!" sighed the motherly woman a few minutes later as she set the table for supper. "What think you could have been in it, father? He looked as if it had meant life or death to him."

Armand walked slowly through several side streets to the Red Lion tavern, on Sassafras street, one of the less pretentious inns. Here in a dim parlor on the ground floor waited the occupant of the fine coach which had roused

"Is this Dr. Franklin?"

the spleen of Joseph Galloway. His hat was flung on a chair, and he strode up and down, his mustachios bristling with impatience.

As Armand entered he embraced him effusively in the French fashion.

"All goes well," he cried. "I have been discreet and have done all you instructed. The congress has named three members to receive you tomorrow at 1 o'clock. Ventrebleu! With the Declaration hanging fire you may believe how eager they are. I have brought your clothes too. Nom de Dieu!" he exclaimed, holding Armand's arms affectionately. "To know you were in a British prison! Thank God you escaped their clutches, and just in the nick of time too! You shall tell me about it one day."

"Pliarne!" Armand broke in upon the other's chatter. "Pliarne! The letter! I have not got it."

"Not got it?" Pliarne repeated in amazed surprise.

"No. I sent it here to Philadelphia to Dr. Franklin. I did not tell you this, since I expected to find it here. Well, I have seen Dr. Franklin, and it has not been delivered."

Pliarne's face was a study of dismay. "And what will you do?"

Armand had no time to reply, for at that moment there came a knock at the door, and it opened.

Instantly Pliarne bent low in a series of bows to Armand.

"Accept my most profound salutations, monseigneur," he said in tones of elaborate ceremony. "I shall be pleased to accompany you on your distinguished errand tomorrow afternoon."

"M. Pliarne," said Armand easily, "this is my good friend, Captain Jarrat. Au revoir, monsieur—jusqu'au matin!"

CHAPTER XV.

MORE than one along the south road that sultry morning of July 4 turned to gaze after a fair haired girl who passed upon a lead-white horse, with a negro boy behind her astride a sorrel. Yellow dust splotched Anne's olive cloak as she rode into the town, and yellow dust clung to John the Baptist's wool.

How many leagues? She would have been worn but for the purpose that buoyed her up. She rode some way, paying as little heed to the sparse groups along the streets or to the few painted Indians lounging with their peltry in the squares as to the beetle browed roofs or the wooden statuary in the pretentious yards.

Her thoughts were busy with the past. They flew back to that night at Gladden Hall, her last view of Armand, when Jarrat's troopers had dragged him away; to the flight of Dunmore and his family, his wanton burning of Norfolk with his rabble of runaway slaves, and the last fight at Gwyn's island, whence the impotent earl, with his brutal aid, Captain Foy, sailed away to the north, never again to set foot upon Virginian soil: to her anguished wonder as to Armand's fate meanwhile. Even Henry's return from the Second congress, the news that Colonel Washington had been elected commander in chief of colonial forces and the glorious outcome of his long siege of Boston had not been able to cheer her.

She thought of the long hours she had watched by the bedside of the bondwoman with grave faced Dr. Craik watching her slow return to life; of the still longer days when she had sat by the listless figure who only stared leaden eyed and with brain piteously dulled to hear asked over and over again with desperate earnestness that same question, "Where is it—can't you remember?"—a question met always with the same result; of the long, fruitless search, the unreasoning faith in him that would not yield to recital or argument, and finally the lucky accident which had given her the clew to the packet's hiding place.

She had started the selfsame day, taking John the Baptist with her, leaving a hurried message for her uncle and aunt, who were then away in Richmond. And this, the twelfth day thereafter, found her at her journey's end riding into the wide, clean thoroughfares of Philadelphia.

"Mis' Annie"—John the Baptist's solemn drawl broke her reverie—"dat yaller boy at de place whar we stayed las' night say dee gwinter mek ev'ybody ekal. Do dat mean we niggers gwine ter be white lak you, or is y'all gwine ter be black lak me?"

But Anne had no answer.

Going toward High street, her course lay by the open green on which the new statehouse fronted. She noticed that the pavements were almost deserted and found herself thinking wonderingly that the streets of Richmond were noisier.

It was with a start of surprise that on turning a corner by the green she pulled up without warning on the skirts of a great hushed crowd, well ordered, moving restlessly under tree that shrilled with locusts.

Most of those nearer the front were gentry. They walked back and forth slowly, trampling the blue thistles and whortleberry bushes. Next them was a stratum of the trading and working classes. No wonder the wealthier merchants jeered them, for they wore trousers of coarse drill, even leather jerkins, and some carried tools. Here was a group of weavers from Germantown, and not far away a knot of Swedes from Wicacoa. The older men among these wore leggings and skin coats.

On the outskirts of all, here and there, holding themselves aloof, walked statelier, heavier figures in small clothes of rich velvets and satins and wearing powdered wigs.

They carried irritable looks, these "Pennsylvania lords," as the bitter Adams called them. It was bad weather for Tories. From the yard of Clarke's inn, across the street, they looked askance at the workmen, passing sneering allusions to the representatives from Massachusetts, angered at the assumption of legislative powers by men clearly of more humble blood than themselves.

They saw the cannon in position by the statehouse and the Continental flags fluttering from the shipping in the harbor. They knew that in the nearby woods five battalions of Associators, drilled and armed, were awaiting any outcome. They knew that the people were ready, if only their leaders should choose.

Anne upon her tired horse looked with wonder at this earnest, quiet crowd and thrilled with a new sense of the dignity of the assemblage within those brick walls. The heat was simmering, and she had thrown open the thin cloak she wore, showing a flash of crimson waist with a sheen of metal buttons.

Mordecai Floyd, looking on near by, gazed on her with pursed lips.

"Small wonder," he said grimly, "that unrighteousness doth overwhelm the children of the world and move them to wrath when we see all about us the testimony of undenial. Lust of the eye, Friend Joseph; lust of the eye!"

Joseph Galloway, standing by him, looked at the girl, so straight and young and bright hued; then his crafty look returned. "Consider the lilies of the field," he quoted with unction as he took snuff.

"I doubt not," pursued the Quaker, wagging his pow, "'twas designed to cast a slur upon the vanity of apparel since 'tis a thing of so little estimation in the sight of God that he bestows it in the highest degree upon the meanest of his creatures. 'Tis to be presumed that, were it a thing of worth in itself, instead of bestowing colors, gildings and broideries upon tulips, he had bestowed them upon creatures of higher dignity. To mankind he hath given but sparingly of gaudy features, a great part of them being black, a great part of them being tawny and a great part being of other wan and dusky complexions, showing that 'tis not the outward adornment that he wishes, but the appearing in supplication for the ornamenting of the Spirit."

"Even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these!" intoned his companion smoothly. "But I must be going, Mordecai. I have an errand at the tavern."

"Hast thou heard aught more of the message to the congress from France?" the Quaker inquired in a low voice as he clasped the other's fervid palm.

Galloway put his lips closer to the other's ear, and a glutinous chuckle shook his jowl.

"Mordecai," he said, "I dreamed last night that France had an ax to grind. Wouldn't it be curious if the message didn't tickle the congress so much after all? Ho, ho!"

Anne's first inquiry provoked a smile from the bystanders. Dr. Franklin? Yes, he was doubtless in the hall, but to see him! Quite impossible! And a lady too. At a recess she might succeed, but not now. Who could tell but he was on the floor at that moment?

So she rode on. At High street she inquired for an inn, as she had been in the saddle since dawn and the horses were jaded. Learning that the principal ones were all full owing to the presence of the delegates, she found her way to one of the more humble hostelries on another street. It was the Red Lion tavern.

The place seemed well nigh deserted. Had she known the significance of this day's sitting of the congress she would have understood. As it was, finding no host in evidence, she went into the parlor and sat down to await his appearance.

And, sitting so, from the hall and coming nearer she heard the well remembered voice of Jarrat.

A panic seized her. The packet—it was in the lining of her cloak at that moment. He must not see her! She looked wildly about her, but there was no door of escape. In desperation she ran to the deep set window. It was shut, but there were shalloon curtains across the alcove, and she shrank behind them as the door flew open.

Jarrat came in noisily. One of the inn servants was at his heels.

"I would speak with monseigneur," he said. "Request him to be so good as to honor me here." He stood smiling redly as the servant went, and Anne watched him from between the curtains with fascinated gaze.

"At last!" he muttered. "The final stroke, and still all goes well. If Armand succeeds for us, then advancement and favor for me. The king must reward me, for the plan was mine alone."

"Armand!" Anne's heart had given a great leap. Jarrat knew where he was, what he did. "If he succeeds for us." What meant those strange words?

Again a step in the hall, again the door opened, a scraping servant said, "Monseigneur," and again Anne's heart leaped, for the man who stood on the threshold clad in a full costume of purple velvet was Armand. Armand, but sparer of feature, with shadows beneath the eyes. Yet they looked out with all their old nobility and with a strange fire. She knew now where she had seen that fire—it was in Henry's face—the fire of steadfast purpose that knows no quenching.

Armand! Escaped from Dunmore's clutches, safe and in Philadelphia! She wanted to rush out to him, to cry to him that she had done the best she could, had come to fulfill her promise at last. But what did he with Jarrat?

"So!" the latter said. "As bravely trimmed as ever. 'Tis the dress of a prince."

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Rev. B. G. Shaw, pastor of Jones' Chapel, Mrs. M. E. Washington and Rev. F. M. Jacobs have gone to Sebree, Ky., to attend the annual session of the Zion Conference. Dr. Jacobs is pastor of a leading Zion congregation in Brooklyn, N. Y., and has been spending his vacation here, the guest of Mr. and Mrs Henry Sterrett.—Prof. R. A. Roberts, the newly appointed principal of Scribner High School, has arrived accompanied by his wife and little daughter. They have secured one of the houses owned by the Huggins estate in Galt street.—The curriculum of the High School for the current year has been enlarged and greatly improved by the introduction of Latin, physics, physical geography and other essential brances.—A very pretty wedding was of Miss Mazonnetta Virginia Grundy and Rev. Wiley H. Lash, which was solemnized last Wednesday at six o'clock at Jones' Chapel. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Adam Wakefield of Jacob Street Zion church, Louisville. Mr and Mrs. Lash left immediately for Salisbury, N. C., their future home.—Miss Helm of Owensboro, Ky., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Georgia Helm Harris.—Rev. M. W. Sparks leaves for the annual session of the A. M. E. Conference at Evansville, Ind., last week. It is expected that he will be returned to Bethel church at this point, where he has done an excellent work for the past two years.

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—Miss Mamie Richardson has been reappointed teacher of township school No. 12.—Henry Yantis and son have sold their grocery at the corner of State and Oak streets.—Indications are favorable to the election of Jacob Best, the Republican nominee for mayor, and a majority of the city council. The Democrats have had everything their own way during the past two years, and their record is not at all satisfactory to the tax payers. Mr. Best will make an ideal chief executive, and will serve the best interests of all the people.—Mr. R. W. Thompson has returned from New York, where he attended the sixth annual session of the National Negro Business League. He reports a most profitable meeting, and believes that the inspiration derived from the encouraging reports of colored business men will go far to stimulate a healthful activity along commercial lines in every section of the country. Mr. Thompson's itinerary also included Philadelphia, Washington and Cincinnati. At Washington he paid his respects to Quartermaster General C. F. Humphrey, head of the division of the War Department at Jeffersonville, in which Mr. Thompson is employed, being introduced by Hon. Judson W. Lyons, register of the treasury.

PROVIDENCE, R. I.

Mrs. Lillian Poole Maxwell of Boston, Mass., is here visiting her sister, Dr. James Gilbert's wife. The Woman's Missionary Union of Rhode Island met at Congdon Street Baptist church on the 31st, President Mrs. E B Holland in the chair. Addresses were made by Mesdames Elizabeth Treize, A. R. Jackson, A. E. Grayson, E H. McDonald, S. W. Smith and A. W. Wiley of Brooklyn, N. Y., on Afro American womens' sphere in missionary work. There was a reception held in the vestry to the members and friends after the exercises. Miss Adelina Davis, sister of Richard Davis, died on the 27th of August. She was born in New Brunswick, Ga. Her funeral was held from Olney Street Baptist church on the 30th at 2 p. m. Rev. E. H. McDonald officiated. A successful lawn party was held at the residence of John Thomas in William street by the Epworth League connected with Bethel A M E church. The grounds were handsomely decorated for the occasion. There were games, music and refreshments in abundance. Pastor W. H. Thomas' chorus of young ladies at Sunday evening service sang beautiful and was greatly appreciated after his most able sermon. Rev. J. L. Davis pastor of Ebenezer Baptist church, who has been spending his vacation in Portsmouth, N. H., returned Friday and occupied his pulpit Sunday. He was given a great reception by members and friends after service. The Imperial Mandolin and Guitar Club, assisted by R E Denson (baritone) gave a concert on the 14th for the benefit of Zion A. M. E. church. Mrs. Olivia Ward Bush of Boston, Mass., spend Sunday and Labor day, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Daniel Washington. The Excelsior band held their last moonlight excusion of the season on the 29th. There was a large number who availed themselves of a most delightful sail down the bay. The band gave a concert during the evening. Dancing was enjoyed. The Providence delegates to the National Negro Business Convention in New York City have returned home and report a fine time. Miss Nellie McNorton and Miss Gracie H. Scott were the guests of Robert E Johnson on trip to Newport last Friday. Thomas Crowder, butler for Mrs. Ellory Wilson, superintendent of Rumford Chemical Works, has gone to Nantucket, Mass., during his vacation. Miss Gussie Boon, formerly of this city, now of Flatbush, N. Y., where she is teaching music, is home visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ollio Boon, 41 Wendell street.

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The Negroes of this country are gaining favor with the great philanthropist, Andrew Carnegie.

Seventy-three special policemen guard the Capital grounds at Washington, but not one is a colored man.

The Institutional Church at Chicago, of which Rev. J. M. Townsend is warden and pastor, is five years old.

There are fourteen drug stores conducted by colored men in Washington. Seventy colored physicians minister unto the sick of that bailiwick.

"Up From Slavery" was used as a text book at Hampton last year and the Illinois Reading Circle has adopted it for all pupils of the eighth grade.

Hon. John P. Green, U. S. Stamp Agent, is to write a book on the famous Haitian warrior, Toussaint L'Ouverture, the history of whom he has given much study.

The Turner Normal and Industrial Institute will open October 1st on its new twenty-acre tract near Shelbyville, Tenn., with Dr. J A. Jones in the presidential chair.

A $10 000 trades building is in progress of erection at the Western University Quindaro, Kansas, and a story is being added to Ward Hall at a cost of $4,000 by the A. M. E. Church.

Dr. W. D. Crum was recently banqueted in Boston by the repreesentative citizens of the "Hub." The committe on arrangements was headed by Assistant District Attorney W. H. Lewis.

W. T. Clearance, a man of pronounced executive capacity, is chief of the staff of watchmen at the Schylkill Arsenal, a quartermaster's depot of the War Department, located at Philadelphia.

Miss Edith H. Murray, a niece of Mrs. Ruth M. Collett, of the A. M E. Nook Concern, has been appointed a teacher in the public schools of Columbia, Pa., after passing a splehdid examination.

On the beautiful Island of Monsterrat, in the Leeward group, there is a population of real Irish Negroes. The island was colonized by Irish settlers and the Negroes to this day speak the old Irish Gaelic tongue or English with an Irish brogue.

Mr. Elbert Corbett, an employe in the Pension Office, Washington, D. C., is a graduate of the Armstrong Training School, Class 1903. He has the honor of being the first colored class president of that school. He will enter Howard University Law School in October.

At a recent meeting of the Frederick Douglass Center in Chicago, Mrs Celia Parker Woolley, an eminent worker in the social settlement propaganda, spoke eloquently from a text from Booker T. Washington: 'I am resolved that no man shall drag me down by making me hate him."

Miss Edna Gray, of St. Paul, a $900 clerk and stenographer in the the Patent Office at Washington, was recently promoted as a recognition of her faithful and efficient service. There are two other Afro-American copyist in this Department, eight messengers and twenty laborers.

The Lone Star Medical Association, which Dr. M. A. Majors, of Chicago, was instrumental in organizing in Texas in 1886, was the first regularly organizen and chartered body of professional Negroes in North America. It now has a membership of over one hundred colored doctors.

The Union Publishing company is the name of a proposed corporation for which application for charter has been filed in Atlanta Ga. They desire to carry on a general printing and publishing company with a capital stock of $5 000, the principal place of business being located at Atlanta.

Determined to install an electrical plant in Wiley University, Marshall, Texas, a club of students accepted the offer made by an Ohio Publisher, and after burning the midnight oil for three months solved all the problems in Wentworth's College Algebra. Now Wiley University will have an electrical plant.

The central committee of the International Sunday School Association at its meeting in Clifton, Mass., authorized the addition of Negro workers in the southern field up to the number of forty and voted to appropriate $350 as a salary and $100 for expenses for every worker for whom a southern state would contribute a like amount.

When the white board of education at a Kansas town wanted to enroll the colored and white children separately the colored parents invaded the grounds. The men retired when ordered to do so but the women refused to leave and seated their children with the white children. They fought for their rights until the board postponed the enrollment.

There are more Negroes in Lexington and Fayette county, Kentucky, than there are of any other single nationality, twice as many as there are Irishman and twelve times as many as there are Jews, Germans and dagoes combined, constituting two-fifths of the total population—yet they have no respectable representation in the local government, whereat the Lexington Herald is justly indignant.

The Institute for Colored Youth at Cheyney, Pa., has received the sum of $10,000 from Andrew Carnegie for a library. This institution was founded in 1837, and was originally located in Philadelpha. It has been re-established and handsomely equipped with new buildings and appurtenances nineteen miles from the City of Brotherly Love and is the leading school in the country for the preparation of teachers of the race Prof. Hugh M. Browne is the principal.

Prof G. W. Carver has been making some interesting experiments in cotton-growing at Tuskegee Institute, planting nine acres of several varieties. One hundred and fifty pounds of mixed fertilizer were distributed per acre. Much of the cotton was not planted until May 5, but it is exceptionly well-bolled and is growing very fast due largely to the careful preparation of the land Prof. Garver's forthcoming talk on these experiments will attract widespread attention among southern planters.

There are 9 204 531 Negroes in the United States, including Porto Rico and Hiwaii. Nine-tenths of them live in the South—one-third of its population. Seventy-seven per cent. on 746 000 farms, of which 21 per cent. are absolutely and 4 per cent. partially owned by Negroes. There are 21 000 Negro carpenters, 20,000 barbers and nearly as many doctors, 16 000 ministers, 15 000 masons, 12,000 dressmakers, 10,000 engineers and firemen, 5,000 shoemakers, 4 000 musicians, 2,000 actors and showmen, 1,000 lawyers (which seems too many) Since 1890 Negro illiteracy has sunk from 57 to 44 5 per cent. Statistics are rather stupid fellows but these look bright and full of hope—"With the Procession," Everybody's Magazine.

Royal Jones, a waiter at Young's Hotel, Boston, Mass., has fallen heir to a large fortune which was left to him by his brother.

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Besides Tuskegee Institute, A. & M. College at Normal and a few other similar institutions which the public frequently hears about, a number of smaller schools, about which the world knows practically nothing are being established in the South It is said that there are twenty or more such schools conducted by graduates of Tuskegee, some being connected with and aided by the parent institution, others entirely independent, but all widening its sphere of influence and together doing a great educational work. The method of procedure is pretty much the same in all cases. The graduate is commonly without funds, but can usually find a room in which to hold school. The next step is to get the co-operation of the colored people of the neighborhood, the desire of the promoter being to stimulate the principle of self-help. This is likely to be an easy matter, and it nearly always happens, too, that when the white people of the community understand the character of the movement they are willing to assist, in numerous cases contribute tracts of farming land.

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I had a very nice time attending the Sunday School Convention at New Prospect Baptist Church. I had at my home Rev. Robinson and Mr. Thomas of Anderson, S. C and also Prof. H. D. Jordan, agent for the Freeman. Rev. E. T. Gassaway and wife, from Anderson, S. C, also attended the association at New Hope. This week I was accompanied by my two daughters, Julia and Lela, and Mr. S. E. Reed. We drove six or seven miles through the country. I am glad that I have some colored paper that I can write to. I like to read of my race to see what a fine progress it is making.

I thank you for your space.

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DULUTH, MINN.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dawson gave a delightful party on Tuesday evening at their cozy home, 116 West Michigan street. Among those present were Mrs. L. Dawson, Mr and Mrs. F. Buchanan, Mesdames F. Coleman, Chavous and Green, Mr. and Mrs. George Jones, W. Rice, T. Rushton and F. Henry.

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Bristo Morris has returned to Louisville, Ky.

John H. Savage, of Georgetown, Ky., is visiting in the city.

David Jones of Brazil is in the city for an extended visit.

John White of Chicago is in the city for an indefinite stay.

Mr. J. Curtis and family of Brazil have moved to the city.

Mrs. Mattie Sanders is ill at her home in West Indianapolis.

Charles Allen is spending his vacation in Xenia and Dayton, O.

Miss LeRoy Boone has gone to Oxford O., to remain during the winter.

Gus Jones entertained a company of friends Friday evening of last week.

Woodbine Perfume has magic powers. On sale at Blodau's Drug Store.

The East End Club will meet with Mrs. Anna Booth, 532 Roanoke street.

Chaplin Carter has returned to the city, after a several months' stay in the West.

Misses Madge and Olla Jackson arrived in the city for permanent residence.

Dr. Ross Jones spent last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jones in Brazil.

Miss Rebecca Tolbert spent last Sunday in Terre Haute, the guest of her parents.

Lewis Brown is able to be out again after being confined to his home for seven weeks.

Samuel McCann leaves today for Xenia, O. to spend a few days with his parents.

Rev. and Mrs. W. S. Rollins, of North Vernon are visiting Rev. and G. A. Sissle.

Miss Blanche Jones spent Sunday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jones, in Brazil.

Mrs. William Henderson returned home last Thursday after an extended visit through Ohio.

Mrs. Louis Simms and baby have returned from a six weeks' visit with relatives at Louisville.

Robt. Shirley left for Chicago Saturday to take a winter course in the Chicago Art School.

"Boss" Kizer, a prosperous farmer at Losantville, Ind., was a caller at The Freeman office this week.

Mrs A. E. Manning has returned home from an extensive trip abroad. Mr. Manning met her in New York.

Misses Flora Harper and Edna Graham of Frankfort were in the city last week, the guests of Mrs. D. H. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Corley and Thos. Rogister left Sunday to spend awhile in Paris, Georgetown and Lexington, Ky.

Mrs. Fannie Proffi', of Dayton, O. Mrs. Bessie Pittman, of Alexander, and Mrs. Jessie Jones, of Anderson are the guests of Mrs. Louis Simms, 421 Waldon street.

Mrs. L. Woods and Mrs. Ollie Wallace, of New Albany, Ind., are the guests of Mrs. L. Waldon in Toledo street.

Miss Flora Harper and Miss Margie Price left Monday for Terre Haute to resume their studies at the State Normal.

Misses Grace and Mollie Bell and Charles Lewis and Holly Hilman of Terre Haute were in the city last week attending the fair.

Henry S. Youree and Miss Minnie Langford, of West 11th street were united in marriage on Monday noon by Rev. H. Simmons.

Grand Master, D. W. Caine, of the F. & A. M., of Seymour, attended the corner-stone laying of Zion A. M. E. church last Sunday.

Mr. George C. Leslie and Miss Mildred Scott were married Tuesday evening at Simpson Chapel. Rev. H. W. Simmons officiated.

Rev. W. H. Anderson was in the city a few days this week, on his way from Muncie where he assisted in dedicating the Cavalry Baptist church.

Rev. John R. Miller, of Edinburg, was in the city this week attending a board meeting of General Conference of the Baptists of Indiana.

A pipe organ has been placed in Bethel A. M. E. church, and on Tuesday evening, Prof. Hansen of the Meridian Street church will give a recital.

G. W. Cable will make an address at the Christian Endeavor at the Ninth Presbyterian church Sunday evening. A musical program will also be given.

The burial of Mrs. Roberts, whose death occured Thursday of last week, took place Sunday at Terre Haute. Shelton & Willis had charge of the remains.

Mrs. Henrietta Jones, of the firm of Shelton & Jones, proprietors of the Palmetto, has sold her interest to Mrs. Kate Clay. Mrs. Jones has gone to Chicago for an indefinite stay.

Mrs. Gertrude Hill attended the annual conference of the A. M. E. church at Evansville last week. She is now visiting her mother and other relatives at Mt. Vernon, Ind., and will be gone two or three weeks.

At the A. M. E. annual conference last week at Evansville, Rev. G. H. Shaffer was returned to Bethel; Rev. H. E. Stewart to Allen Chapel and Rev. Charles Hunter as presiding elder of the Indianapolis District and Rev. Morris Lewis to the Richmond District.

A comedy in three acts, "The Bachelor's Congress" will be presented at Simpson Chapel, September 28, under the management of Club No. 2, with the assistance of talent from the Vigilantes Club. James Hodge will render a violin solo, and the Female Quartet will render several selections.

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MISSOURI ANNUAL CONFERENCE.

The Sixteenth Session at the Jones Tabernacle A. M. E. Zion Church.

The Missouri Annual Conference of A. M. E. Zion church, is holding its sixteenth annual session at Jones Tabernacle, Bishop J. S. Caldwell, presiding. A reception and program was given Wednesday. Music was rendered by a chorus and Miss Naive Coleman, addresses by Rev. J. W Martin, A. B, Dr. George H. Gloffe, Rev. C. H. Johnson, Hon. George L. Knox. Dr. H W. Simmons, Bishop Clinton and others.

The presiding bishop delivered his annual address and comments, Thursday morning. The afternoon session consisted of reports and in the evening devotional exercises and preaching Friday morning the presiding elders made their reports and other conference business was transacted. In the afternoon the W. H. and F. M. S. and V. C. E. conducted the service.

This morning the conference will convene at 9:30 o'clock. Devotional exercises and executive session will be held. In the afternoon reports of committees on Easter, Children's Day, and various other days observed by this connection. Sunday morning at 10 o'clock, Rev. Y Carr will conduct the song and prayer service; preaching at 11 a. m., 3 p. m. and 7:30. The reading of appointments in order. Bishop Alexander Walters and Bishop George W. Clinton are among the visitors.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

The men's meeting on Sunday was well attended and Mr. Geo. W. Cable made an excellent address. The feature of these meetings is the singing which is participated in by all—3:30 sharp is the hour of commencing. The boys turnout well at their Monday night meetings—all boys 12 to 16 are welcome—Mr. Geo. Cable will speak to them the 25th—Mr. W. A. Kersey being the speaker for last Monday. The Bible Class meets every Monday at 9 p. m., sharp; all men are welcome; we are taking up "The History of The Apostolic Church" We will soon have on foot our election for mayor of Indianapolis. This will be a test of popularity pure and simple, and the gentleman who is elected and inaugurated will have an honor conferred upon him that any man might be proud of.

ERIE, PA.

Mrs. Parker Suel will make an extensive visit in Philadelphia, the guest of her daughter, Mrs John Philips.—Mrs. Lewis Irvin and Mrs. Joseph Parker will spend the day next Sunday in Cleveland with friends.—John Powers is confined to his home with an attack of paralysis.—George Coples was in the city.—J. H. Crawford has returned to Detroit, Mich., to fill a position with the Wabash Railroad Company.—Mr. McNeil has gone to Pittsburg.—B. Mitchell is now headwaiter at the Rathkiller. John Hopkins, agent for The Freeman thanks his customers for their patronage and hopes to secure more.

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With the keys of the bottomless pit,
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And I think he made a great hit.

He bound him for a thousand years,
With the Lord that is just one day;
I'd give him another thousand
If I only had my way.

Think of the thousands of souls he destroyed
Because they believed in Christ;
If they are going to take him out of that hot place
I hope they'll put him on ice.

The social and moral condition of our people here is about on an average with other cities where the lower and disreputable elements of the white race are allowed ta mix and stand on a common level with our best young men and young women. It can be easily seen what the outcome will be if this state of affairs continues very long.

In the industrial pursuits of the city we find our brothers employed at street paving, saloon porters and hod carring. Burlington has eight colored plasters who take small and large contracts in their line. Colored men are employed at the brick yards; five or six are employed in private families as coachman. Several restaurants employ colored help. Colored cooks are employed at the C. B. & Q railway hotel. The Delano Hotel, the best in the city, employs nine colored waiters and three cooks, General L. Washington, R. F. Harper and George W. Peak. General L. Washington has been the chef at the Delano for twenty-five years. He has but few equals and no superiors in the culinary art and is well known by the traveling public. It is a common thing for traveling men to say to the waiters, 'Tell the chef I'm hungry; haven't had a decent meal since I left 'Frisco" The next article under this head will be a visit to Fort Madison, Iowa. Present address George H Jones, 100 N. Main street, Burlington, Iowa

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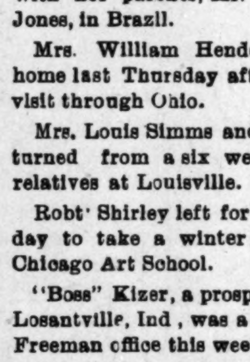

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